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SENATE

Thursday, February 17, 1977

Senate called to Order by the President.

Prayer by the Honorable Ralph M. Lovell of Sanford.

Mr. LOVELL: Let us pray. Oh, Father in Heaven, O Great God of the Universe, Great God of this Earth, the Ruler of this Earth, the Ruler of billions of earths and billions of solar systems in our great Milky Way galaxy, please look down today and the rest of this Session, and smile on this Senate and give us the intelligence, the ability, the power, the authority, the endeavor to carry on to help the State of Maine and to help those less fortunate than us. We know that we are placed on this earth for one reason. We know that we are here for only just a few minutes in the point of time, and that we all must die, but we hope that we can do as you ask, and we hope that you will help us, and you will take us to Heaven, in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

Out of Order and Under Suspension of the Rules:

On motion by Mr. HUBER of Cumberland, ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House adjourns, it adjourns to 9:30 in the morning on February 22, and when the Senate adjourns, it adjourns to 10 o'clock in the morning on February 22. (S. P. 177)

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

(Off record remarks.)

Communications

Department of State

February 8, 1977

To the Honorable John L. Martin, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Eighth Legislature:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the budget estimates of expenses of the sixteen counties within the State for the years 1977-1978, the same having been filed in this office according to the provisions of Title 30, Sections 252 and 253, of the Revised Statutes, as amended of 1972.

Sincerely,

Markham L. Gartley
Secretary of State
(H. P. 270)

Comes from the House, Read and with accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Local and County Government.

Which was Read and with accompanying papers, Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government in concurrence.

Senate Papers

Mr. Conley of Cumberland presented, Bill, "An Act to Appropriate Funds for Cystic Fibrosis Drugs and Treatment." (S. P. 168)

Mr. Curtis of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act to Fund the Cost of the Employees' Share of the Premium of the Employees' Health Insurance Programs at the University of Maine and the Maine Maritime Academy." (Emergency) (S. P. 171)

Mr. Collins of Aroostook presented, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Funds for Maine Health Systems Agency, Incorporated, to Ensure that Quality Health Services are Available at a Reasonable Cost to all Maine People." (Emergency) (S. P. 173)

Which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Conley of Cumberland (Cosponsor: Mr. Lovell of York) presented,

Bill, "An Act Concerning Professional Conduct of Chiropractors, Optometrists, Podiatrists and Dentists." (S. P. 167)

Which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation and Ordered Printed. Sent down for concurrence.

(See action later today)

Mr. Collins of Knox presented, Bill, "An Act to Establish the Maine Nonprofit Corporation Act." (S. P. 175)

Reference to Committee on Business Legislation suggested.

On Motion of Mr. Speers of Kennebec, Referred to Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Pray of Penobscot (Cosponsors: Mr. Martin of Aroostook and Mr. Carpenter of Aroostook) presented,

Bill, "An Act Concerning the Powers of Plantations under Land Use Regulation and Zoning Statutes." (S. P. 176)

Which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented, RESOLVE, Directing the Commissioner of Transportation and the Secretary of State to Evaluate and Determine the Feasibility of Transferring the Functions of the Motor Vehicle Division to the Department of Transportation. (S. P. 174)

Which was referred to the Committee on State Government and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Hichens of York presented, Bill, "An Act Exempting Blind Property Owners from Real Property Tax." (S. P. 172)

Which was referred to the Committee on Taxation and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway." (Emergency) (S. P. 169)

The same Senator presented,

Bill, "An Act to Provide Reimbursement for Snow Removal on Accepted Ways." (S. P. 170)

Which were referred to the Committee on Transportation and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

ORDERS

Joint Orders

An Expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

WHEREAS, the Hon. Arthur E. Ela of North Anson, a former State Representative, a State Senator and Executive Councillor, has donated much of his land to the State for wildlife sanctuaries, Presented by Senator Redmond of Somerset.

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down for concurrence. (S. P. 178)

An expression of Legislative Sentiment recognizing:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Charles W. Mosman of Portland will attain her 100th birthday on February 19th, is presented by Senator Merrill of Cumberland.

Which was Read and Passed.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence. (S. P. 185)

Committee Reports

House

Ought Not to Pass

The following Ought Not to Pass reports shall be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Rule 20 of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act to Reinstate the Requirement of a Blood Test Before Marriage." (H. P. 28) (L. D. 36)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Extending Distance Requirement on Connection of Private Sewers." (H. P. 89) (L. D. 115)

Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Judiciary on,

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Protective Custody Proceedings." (H. P. 163) (L. D. 201)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Comes from the House the Report Read and Accepted.

The Committee on Veterans and Retirement on,

Bill, "An Act to Prevent the Reduction of the Ceiling on Outside Earnable Income Because of Cost-of-Living Adjustments to Disability Retirement Benefits." (H. P. 44) (L. D. 61)

Reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Comes from the House the Report Read and Accepted.

Which Reports were Read and Accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

The Committee on Judiciary on, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Adoption Proceedings." (H. P. 101) (L. D. 125)

Reports that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

The Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on, Bill, "An Act to Allow the Taking of Suckers with Bow and Arrow." (H. P. 88) (L. D. 114)

Reports that the same Ought to Pass.

Comes from the House, the Bill Passed to be Engrossed.

Which Reports were Read and Accepted in concurrence, and the Bills, Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

Ought to Pass — As Amended

The Committee on State Government on, Resolve, "Authorizing the Bureau of Public Lands to Convey by Sale the State's Interest in Certain Real Property in Warren and Cushing, Knox County." (H. P. 90) (L. D. 116)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A". (H-13)

Comes from the House, the Resolve Passed to be Engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which report was Read and Accepted in concurrence, and the Resolve Read Once. Committee Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted in concurrence, and the Resolve, as amended, Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

The Committee on Legal Affairs, on, Bill, "An Act Pertaining to Birth Records." (H. P. 52) (L. D. 73)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass As Amended by Committee Amendment "A". (H-8)

Comes from the House, Bill and accompanying papers Recommended to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Which Report was read.

Upon Motion of Mr. Speers of Kennebec, Recommended to Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on Public Utilities on,

Bill, "An Act to Exempt Small Water Districts from Regulation by the Public Utilities Commission." (H. P. 12) (L. D. 21)

Reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:

Senator: CARPENTER of Aroostook Representatives:

TARR of Bridgton
LUNT of Presque Isle
PEARSON of Old Town
KELLEHER of Bangor
McHENRY of Madawaska
BERRY of Buxton

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A". (H-14).

Signed:

Senators:

CUMMINGS of Penobscot
COLLINS of Aroostook

Representatives:

NADEAU of Sanford
WOOD of Springvale

Comes from the House, Bill and accompanying papers, Recommitted to the Committee on Public Utilities.

Which Reports were read.

Upon Motion of Mr. Speers of Kennebec, Recommitted to the Committee on Public Utilities, in concurrence.

Senate

Ought Not to Pass

The following Ought Not to Pass report shall be placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Rule 20 of the Joint Rules:

Bill, "An Act to Provide Staff Development Funds to Certain Private or Public Nonprofit Agencies Involved with Educational Activities for Teachers." (S. P. 42) (L. D. 85)

Ought to Pass

Mr. Huber for the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on,

Bill, An Act Appropriating Funds for Replacement Volumes of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated. (S. P. 11) (L. D. 28)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Which Report was Read and Accepted and the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

House

Bill, "An Act Placing Professional Wrestling Matches, Shows and Exhibitions under the Jurisdiction of the Maine Boxing Commission." (H. P. 30) (L. D. 47)

Bill, "An Act Concerning Approval of Marriage by the Judge of Probate after Filing of Objections." (H. P. 114)

RESOLVE, "Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey by Sale the Interest of the State in Certain Lands in the Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 104) (L. D. 128)

RESOLVE, "Reimbursing Certain Municipalities on Account of Taxes Lost Due to Lands being Classified under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law." (H. P. 92) (L. D. 119)

RESOLVE, "Reimbursing Certain Municipalities on Account of Property Tax Exemptions of Veterans." (H. P. 91) (L. D. 117)

Which were Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, in concurrence.

House — Non-concurrent

Bill, "An Act to Extend the Time During which School Budgets may be Adopted." (Emergency) (H. P. 316) (L. D. 407)

Which was Read a second time.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Mr. Speers.

Mr. SPEERS: Mr. President, I present Senate Amendment "B" to L. D. 407 under filing S-9, and move its adoption.

Senate Amendment "B" was Read and Adopted.

The Bill as amended passed to be Engrossed, without Reference to Committee, in non-concurrence.

Sent down forthwith for concurrence.

House — As Amended

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Municipalities to

Raise or Appropriate Money for a Consumer Action Program." (H. P. 7) (L. D. 17)

Which was read a second time.

Upon Motion of Mr. O'Leary of Oxford, tabled for one legislative day pending passage to be Engrossed.

RESOLVE, "Authorizing the Bureau of Public Lands to Convey by Sale the State's Interest in Certain Real Property in Hebron, Oxford County." (H. P. 69) (L. D. 93)

Bill, "An Act to Increase the Property Tax Exemption for Parsonages to \$50,000." (H. P. 25) (L. D. 34)

Which were Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed, as Amended, in concurrence. (See action later today.)

Senate

Bill, "An Act to Revise the Bath Water District Charter." (S. P. 72) (L. D. 151)

Bill, "An Act Concerning Witness Fees Under the Public Utility Regulatory Statute." (S. P. 59) (L. D. 132)

Bill, "An Act Requiring Public Utilities Commission Regulated Motor Carriers to File a Designated Agent for Services of Process and Court Appearances." (S. P. 82) (L. D. 190)

Which were Read a Second Time and Passed to be Engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Enactors

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

"An Act to Revise the Charter of the Aroostook-Prestile Treatment District." (S. P. 37) (L. D. 45)

"An Act Concerning Proofs Required for the Issue of a Marriage Intention Form." (H. P. 154) (L. D. 170)

"An Act Relating to Transfer of Unexpended Appropriations of State Funds." (S. P. 6) (L. D. 11)

Which were Passed to be Enacted and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Emergency

"An Act Relating to Reapportionment." (H. P. 58) (L. D. 79)

On Motion of Mr. Speers of Kennebec, Tabled for one Legislative Day, pending enactment.

"An Act Providing for Extension and Modification of the Joint Underwriting Association." (S. P. 70) (L. D. 149)

This being an emergency measure and having received the affirmative votes of 28 members of the Senate, was Passed to be Enacted, and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, with reference to Item 3-4, on Page 2 of today's calendar, "An Act Concerning Professional Conduct of Chiropractors, Optometrists, Podiatrists and Dentists", I move the Senate reconsider its action whereby the Senate referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley now moves the Senate reconsider its action whereby Item 3-4, SP 167, was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

It is a vote.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I now move that the item be referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, now moves that S. P. 167, Item 3-4 of today's advance Journal, be referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pierce.

Mr. PIERCE: Mr. President and Members of the House, may I ask through the Chair a question of the gentleman from Cumberland why he wishes it referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pierce, has posed a question through the Chair, of the gentleman of Cumberland, who may answer if he so desires.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Mr. Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, the only thing I can say to the good Senator from Kennebec, Senator Pierce, is that bills of this nature in the past have generally been assigned to Committee on Health and Institutional Services, such as the Bill that was passed two years ago dealing with the advertising and listing of prescription drugs.

On Motion of Senator Speers of Kennebec, Tabled for one Legislative Day pending Motion of Senator Conley of Cumberland to refer to Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. WYMAN: Mr. President, with reference to Item 7-9 on Page 5, Bill "An Act to Increase the Property Tax Exemption for Parsonages to \$50,000", I move we reconsider our action whereby this Bill was passed to be engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, now moves the Senate to reconsider its action whereby Item 7-9, L. D. 34, was passed to be engrossed. Is this the pleasure of the Senate. It is a vote.

On further motion of Senator Wyman of Washington, Tabled for one Legislative Day pending passage to be engrossed.

Orders of The Day

The President laid before the Senate:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Expenditures of Municipalities for General Assistance." (H. P. 237) (L. D. 300)

Tabled — February 16, 1977 by Senator Huber of Cumberland.

Pending — Reference.

On Motion of Senator Huber of Cumberland, Referred to the Committee on Performance Audit and ordered printed in concurrence.

Bill Held

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. President, I move that the Senate reconsider its action whereby L. D. 269, "An Act Relating to Licensing of Theaters and Motion Picture Houses." was passed to be engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Penobscot, Senator Curtis, now moves the Senator reconsider its action whereby L.D. 269 was passed to be engrossed.

Upon Motion of Senator Pierce of Kennebec, Tabled for one legislative day pending the Motion of Senator Curtis of Penobscot to reconsider.

Senate Order Held

Senate Order relative to League of Women Voters Pamphlets.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Mr. KATZ: Mr. President, I move reconsideration of our action whereby the Senate Order relative to the "League of Women Voters Pamphlets" was defeated by the Senate yesterday.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz, now moves that the Senate reconsider its action whereby this Senate Order was indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, it is amazing to me that when the sun sets and rises, and 12 hours later what it can do to one human being, particularly when the home-town newspaper jumps with enthusiasm, I would assume, in mentioning the good name of the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz, and his particular concern at the moment of the League of Women Voters with reference to what was going on down at the other end of the hallway.

Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I hope that the Senate once again demonstrates its action by not approving this Order, because, as I stated yesterday, I think it is a total waste of money, and our children benefit much better by coming here to the Legislature and other municipal bodies of Government to see how the laws and ordinances are passed, and I think that the mere publication of how a Bill becomes law, or this is your Legislature, is sheer nonsense, and I hope the Senate would vote against the pending motion.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Carpenter.

Mr. CARPENTER: Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I support the motion of the good Senator of Kennebec, Senator Katz. I appreciate Senator Conley's remarks. I know where I come from it is very difficult for the school children and the younger people of the State to get into the State House to see exactly what does happen down here, and communications are not all that wonderful. In fact, up my way I have used these brochures on many occasions, and I have had many compliments from school teachers and from students. Granted it is a very simplified version, but I think the simpler we can make the process without getting into the parliamentary maneuvering and proceduring that we sometimes get into here. I think the simpler we can make it the better. I would question what the good Senator from Cumberland says, whether if anybody came in here without having any background in legislation or the Legislature or parliamentary procedure, I would question whether they would know what is going on. I question sometimes whether the persons sitting here do.

I would hope that you would vote for the Motion to reconsider, so that we could continue to have these pamphlets available. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: I request a Division.

The PRESIDENT: A Division has been requested. The pending Motion before the Senate is the Motion by the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz, that the Senate reconsider its action whereby it indefinitely postponed a Senate Order relative to the League of Women Voters.

Will all those Senators in favor of the Motion to reconsider please rise in their places to be counted.

Will all those Senators opposing the Motion to reconsider please rise in their places to be counted.

15 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 14 Senators in the negative, the Motion to reconsider does prevail.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Mr. KATZ: I sit quietly.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I once again move that this Order be tabled indefinitely.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair advises you should not debate a tabling Motion.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I move that this Order be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, moves that the Order referring to the League of Women Voters be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Speers.

Mr. SPEERS: As point of order, Mr. President, as I understand, the Senate has just reconsidered that Motion and there has been no intervening debate. I would request a ruling as to whether or not the Motion is in order.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would advise the good Senator from Kennebec, that he is correct. Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this Order be passed.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. WYMAN: Mr. President, I move that this be tabled.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, now moves that this Order be tabled.

The President recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Speers.

Mr. SPEERS: I request a Division.

The PRESIDENT: A Division has been requested.

Will all of those Senators in favor of the Motion of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, that this Order be tabled, please rise in their places to be counted.

Will all of those Senators opposing the Motion of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, that this Order be tabled, please rise in their places to be counted.

13 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 16 Senators in the negative, the Motion to Table does not prevail.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley.

Mr. CONLEY: Mr. President, I don't know whether to say a Hail Mary or make a motion. I move this Order be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Conley, now moves that this Order be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the Senate.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Trotsky.

Mr. TROTSKY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I oppose the motion to indefinitely postpone this Order and I will explain why.

I have personally used this pamphlet in teaching the legislative process from schools to Rotary Clubs, to Granges and so on, when I have spoken. It is a simple pamphlet which describes a very difficult process here. We are playing a lot of games here and I don't think we should. I think most of you, if you will read it, look at it, you will find it is of tremendous use with your constituents.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Farley.

Mr. FARLEY: Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I don't care what the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Carpenter and Senator from Penobscot, Senator Trotsky say, we have had a little fun here this afternoon.

Senator Carpenter mentioned that there are some children, school children from the Aroostook County area that don't get up here too often, and I agree with Senator Conley that the material in regard to legislature is probably not as in depth as it probably should be, but it does give the students an idea as to how the system works. I think they are entitled to that. I have used it myself on many occasions. We are only 80 miles down the road here, and when the buses do get up here with the school children it is 10:15 or 10:30, and we are in the middle of debate. They have to leave to get the buses back

to pick up the kids in the afternoon, so they really don't see everything, a whole day up here. So I would ask we look out for our younger citizens and give them the little bit of knowledge that this material does contain in our democratic system here in Maine and treat the motion to indefinitely postpone. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Merrill.

Mr. MERRILL: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, I would like to suggest a compromise to this body if I could; That is, we might support Senator Conley's motion, the Senator from Cumberland, and then send all school children a copy of today's debate.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will order a division.

Will all those Senators in favor of indefinite postponement please rise in their places to be counted.

Will all those Senators opposing the indefinite postponement please rise in their places to be counted.

10 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 19 in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone does not prevail.

The Order passed.

The Chair recognizes Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Mr. KATZ: Mr. President, to dispose of this matter, I move for reconsideration.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz, now moves the Senate reconsider its action whereby this Order was passed. Is it the pleasure of the Senate?

Would all those Senators in favor of reconsideration please say "Yes". Those opposed, please say "No". A viva voce vote being had, the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

Out of order and Under Suspension of the Rules, Rules,

Bills and Resolutions received from the House requiring reference to Committee were acted upon in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to consider the following:

Senate Papers

Mr. Trotsky of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act Permitting Corporal Punishment in Certain Private Schools." (S. P. 181)

Mr. Curtis of Penobscot (Cosponsor: Mr. Danton of York) presented Bill, "An Act Relating to School Construction." (Emergency) (S. P. 183)

Reference to the Committee on Education is suggested and Ordered Printed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Education, and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Jackson of Cumberland presented, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the State Librarian to Purchase Town Histories and other Maine Histories for Distribution to Public Libraries and Schools." (S. P. 182)

Reference to the Committee on Local and County Government is suggested and Ordered Printed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Local and County Government and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. McNally of Hancock presented, Bill, "An Act to Reduce the Fee for Lobster Fishing Licenses." (S. P. 180)

Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources is suggested and Ordered Printed.

Which was referred to the Committee on Marine Resources and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Speers of Kennebec presented, Bill, "An Act to Assess a Surcharge on Fines and Penalties for the Operation of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy." (S. P. 179)

Reference to the Committee on State Govern-

ment is suggested and Ordered Printed.
Which was referred to the Committee on
State Government and ordered printed.
Sent down for concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

On Motion of Mr. Huber of Cumberland,
Adjourned to Tuesday, February 22, 1977 at
10:00 in the morning.