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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

Volume I

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

December 1, 1982 to May 13, 1983

HOUSE

Friday, April 22, 1983 The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Hans Andrae, Pastor, Northern Maine Lutheran Parish at Caribou, New Sweden and Stockholm.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

Bill "An Act Establishing Emergency Mental Health Services" (S. P. 490) (L. D. 1490)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and ordered printed.

In the House, was referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Forged or Illegal Prescriptions" (S. P. 492) (L. D. 1491)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed.

(Committee on Reference of Bills had suggested reference to the Committee on Business Legislation)

In the House, was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence. (Later Reconsidered)

Reports of Committees Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans on Bill "An Act to Give the Maine Association of Retirees Proper Representation on the Board of Trustees for the Maine State Retirement System" (S. P. 208) (L. D. 629) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (S. P. 481) (L. D. 1447)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the New Draft passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-61).

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the New Draft read once

Senate Amendment "A" (S-61) was read by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Hickey.

Mr. HICKEY: Mr. Speaker, I move that Senate Amendment "A" (S-61) be indefinitely postponed and I would like to speak to my motion.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Hickey, moves that Senate Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. HICKEY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Our Committee had a good hearing on this piece of legislation. We listened to many people, all who spoke favorably on its passage. Included in the speakers were members of many other state organizations. Nobody opposed the passage and our committee gave it a unanimous "ought to pass" report.

Amendment "A" guts the bill, and we would like to see this L. D. receive a fair shake by removing Amendment "A" and I would ask for a division.

The SPEAKER: A vote has been requested. The pending question is on the motion of the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Hickey, that Senate Amendment "A" (S-61) be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. All those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken.

102 having voted in the affirmative and one having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail.

The New Draft was assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Provide for Consumer Rep-

resentation before the Maine Milk Commission" (Emergency) (H. P. 1137) (L. D. 1499) which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in the House on April 19. 1983.

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture in non-concurrence.

In the House: On motion of Mr. Brannigan of Portland, the House voted to recede and concur.

Messages and Documents The following Communication:

State of Maine Maine State Retirement System State Office Building State House Station 46 Augusta, Maine 04333

January 31, 1983 Honorable Joseph E. Brennan Governor of Maine State House, Augusta Members, 111th Legislature

Dear Governor Brennan and Members of the Legislature:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the 1982 Annual Report of the Maine State Retirement System as required by law (5 MRSA, Section 1031, subsection 9) and addressed to its members.

Sincerely, S/ ROBERT BOURGAULT Chairman

Board of Trustees Maine State Retirement System ad and with accompanying report

Was read and with accompanying report ordered placed on file.

Orders

On motion of Representative Brannigan of Portland, the following Joint Order: (H. P. 467) ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Capitalization and

Board of Directors of the Maine Fidelity Life Insurance Company," H. P. 260, L. D. 320, be recalled from the Governor's desk to the House of Representatives.

Was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion of Representative McSweeney of Old Orchard Beach, it was

ORDERED, that Representative Maynard G. Conners of Franklin be excused April 19th and for the duration of his illness.

House Reports of Committees Unanimous Ought Not to Pass

Representative Racine from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act Relating to Posting of and Permits for Signs under the Billboard Law" (H. P. 684) (L. D. 864) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative MacEachern from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Establish a Bounty on Coyote" (H. P. 41) (L. D. 46) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative MacEachern from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Grant Resident Status to native Sons and Daughters for Purposes of the Fish and Game Laws" (H. P. 729) (L. D. 938) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative Roderick from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Permit the Trapping of Coyotes" (H. P. 730) (L. D. 939) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative Jacques from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bil "An Act to Permit Hunting with a .22 Caliber Rifle during Raccoon Hunting Season" (H. P. 934) (L. D. 1217) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative MacEachern from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Permit Hunting of Wild Birds on Sunday with Bird Dogs" (H. P. 1011) (L. D. 1336) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Representative Cox from the Committee on

Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Concerning Use of the Term 'Wrestling'" (H. P. 1069) (L. D. 1408) reporting "Ought Not to Pass".

Was placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

Unanimous Leave to Withdraw

Representative Kiesman from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on Bill "An Act Relating to the Powers of the Department of Environmental Protection in the Granting of Temporary Permits and Licenses" (H. P. 545) (L. D. 697) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative Lewis from the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act to Require that Employers have a Leave Policy" (H. P. 801) (L. D. 1041) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative MacEachern from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Prohibit Hunting on Davis Island, Lincoln County" (H. P. 547) (L. D. 699) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Representative MacEachern from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Include 3-wheeled Vehicles in the Law Governing Snowmobiles" (H. P. 669) (L. D. 852) reporting "Leave to Withdraw".

Were placed in the Legislative Files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Representative Weymouth from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Fairly Apportion the Cost of Cancelled Generating Facilities" (H. P. 802) (L. D. 1042) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (H. P. 1140) (L. D. 1496)

Representative Gwadosky from the Committee on State Government on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to Revoke Officer Certification" (H. P. 865) (L. D. 1152) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (H. P. 1141) (L. D. 1505)

Reports were read and accepted, the New Drafts read once and assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Ought to Pass in New Draft/New Title

Representative Carter from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act to Provide Legislative Participation in the Allocation of Consumer Settlements' (Emergency) (H. P. 647) (L. D. 816) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft under New Title Bill "An Act to Provide Legislative Participation in the Allocation of Consumer Settlements and for Allocation of Funds for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program" (Emergency) (H. P. 1136) (L. D. 1495)

Report was read and accepted, the New Draft read once and assigned for second reading, Monday, April 25.

Consent Calendar First Day

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H. P. 987) (L. D. 1292) Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of the Marine Resources Laws" (Emergency)—Committee on Marine Resources reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-157)

(H. P. 776) (L. D. 1006) Bill "An Act to Amend the Wholesale Seafood License Law"—Committee on Marine Resources reporting "Ought to Pass".

(H. P. 823) (L. D. 1063) Bill "An Act to Amend the Statutory Requirements Pertaining to Medicaid Copayments" (Emergency)—Committee on Health and Institutional Services reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-158).

There being no objections, the above items

were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar of April 25 under the listing of Second Day.

Passed to Be Engrossed **Amended Bill**

Bill "An Act to Amend Maine's Wrongful Death Law" (H. P. 398) (L. D. 481) (C. "A" H-141)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to Permit the Public Utilities Commission to Authorize a Management Audit of a Public Utility. (S. P. 345) (L. D. 1019) (C. "A" S-

An Act to Improve and Clarify the Ratesetting Procedures for Municipal and Quasimunicipal Water Companies. (S. P. 480) (L. D.

An Act to Prohibit Shooting within 100 Yards of any Dwelling During Hunting Season. (H. P. 167) (L. D. 198) (H. "B" H-143)

An Act to Eliminate Reports by District Attorneys to the Attorney General. (H. P. 716) (L. D. 907)

An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Transportation or Cutting of Christmas Trees. (H. P. 851) (L. D. 1101) (C. "A" H-130)

An Act to Establish Vehicular Manslaughter as a Class B Offense under the Criminal Code. (H. P. 905) (L. D. 1184)

An Act Concerning Inspection of Hotel Records by Police Officers. (H. P. 927) (L. D. 1206) "A" H-129)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

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

An Act to Protect Unemployed Workers from the Loss of Unemployment Benefits Without the Opportunity for a Fair Hearing. (H. P. 1089) (L. D. 1416)

Tabled-April 15, 1983 by Representative Gauvreau of Lewiston.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mrs. Beaulieu of Portland, retabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Tuesday, April 26th.

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

Bill "An Act to Require Annual Disclosure of Interest in Agricultural Land in Maine" (H. P. 871) (L. D. 1125) (H. "A" H-136 to C. "A" H-131)

Tabled-April 19, 1983 by Representative Michael of Auburn.

Pending—Motion of Representative Mitchell of Vassalboro to reconsider adoption of Committee Amendment "A" (H-131) as amended by House Amendment "A" (H-136) thereto.

Thereupon, the House reconsidered its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto was adopted.

Subsequently, Committee Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Diamond of Bangor, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

By Unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

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

An Act to Amend the Probate Fees. (H. P. 714) (L. D. 905)

Tabled-April 19, 1983 by Representative Reeves of Newport.

Pending-Passage to be Enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Newport, Mr. Reeves

Mr. REEVES: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I know that it is getting late here Friday afternoon. I do not intend to take a lot of your time to debate this particular item. I do want to bring to your attention the outlandish increase in probate fees that are contained in this bill before you.

I don't mind reasonable fees, but I consider a 100 percent increase in fees totally unreasonable and that is what this little matter does. I am not so much concerned with these \$5 and \$10 fees, but I am concerned when fees are increased from \$50 to \$100 and from \$75 to \$150 and from \$100 to \$200. You may or may not recall, this bill came out of our Judiciary Committee with an 8 to 5 report, and I am very proud to stand here today and tell you that I am one of those five that was very much opposed and against this bill.

I did not get up and debate it earlier, I did not see the need to stand here and debate this item three or four different times. I let it go by first and second reader, I let it go by engrossment. I appreciate the fact that I was allowed to table this last Tuesday. Many of us, as I said, have put in a long hard week here and I don't intend to waste a lot of time. I do want you to know about these terrific increases and that is my major concern with the bill. I would have no concern and would have been happy to have signed it out if the fees had been reasonable, but I have never felt that a 100 percent in-

crease was within reason.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Saco, Mr. Hobbins.

Mr. HOBBINS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I know on a Friday afternoon it is difficult to concentrate, but I wish you would take a look at this bill. L. D. 905, and look at what the Committee on Judiciary on the majority report is suggesting that we do to amend the fees.

Under the present Maine law, if you file an estate under \$10,000, the filing fee is \$5. If that estate is from \$10,001 to \$20,000, the cost is \$10. If you file an estate with all the paper work involved with the Register of Probate in any of the counties, the fee is \$25 for an estate valued at \$20,001 to \$50,000. If you have an estate from \$50,001 to \$100,000, the filing fee is \$50. If you have an estate valued between \$100,001 and \$200,000, there is a \$75 fee which is assessed by the Registrar of Probate for filing fees. If you have an estate of more than \$200,000 or whether you have an estate that is valued at \$200 million, the fee is \$100

The new fee schedule proposed under L. D. 905 is an attempt to more adequately reflect the cost of filing these papers with the Register of Probate. As you know, every single year we find increases in our county budgets, every single year we spend an enormous amount of time pruning away at those budgets, including the Register of Probate. The fee schedule proposed under L. D. 905 I think is a reasonable one. It is more reflective of the modern day and I think it is only necessary that we not subsidize our tax dollar in the Register of Probate as we have been in the past.

I urge you to go along with the Majority Report, an 8 to 5 report, which has adjusted these fees I think in a more equitable way

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westport, Mr. Soule.

Mr. SOULE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think it is also important that we note the effect of these fee increases not only on the persons who pay them, which seems to be the concern, but on the perhaps ancillary effect that this will have on property

Currently, the budget of the Probate Courts are funded only 35 percent from the fees that they bring in from the various filings that take place in that court. It was the feeling of the committee, and it was my feeling in sponsoring this piece of legislation, that there should be more of a burden upon those people using the court rather than having that burden placed on the property taxpayers who pay taxes into your county.

The effect of this fee increase will be to more equally recognize that burden. I think that is an important point to emphasize here, that this is, in fact, a property tax relief bill aside from more accurately recognizing the actual cost that the probate courts are incurring in processing these fees.
The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the

gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Carrier.

Mr. CARRIER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am one of the signers of the 'Ought Not to Pass" Report and I hope that you will vote against enacting this bill. As it was said before, this bill shows a very major change and increases in fees. This bill covers 11 areas in the Probate Code and out of 11 areas in the Probate Code, they suggest that we increase the fees on 7 of them to 100 percent, 100 percent of what it is costing now, and the other four would go up 50 percent. Now, this is an unusual increase in fees and I believe that this is probably one of the only bills in this House that I have seen this session that you would allow such an increase.

On the other hand, what has bothered me before is when the legislation comes up and then is changed by amendment, it is always wise to look at what the reason is and what the intent was to start with, whether it was a good intent and done in good faith.

The committee amendment, the bill itself, part of it that was wrong, it would have provided actually what somebody—no, this is not right. This shows an increase of about 100 percent on the fees. I think it is wrong, I don't think it costs anymore effort in work in filing a \$200,000 estate compared to \$20,000 estate. My reason for being against the bill is the fact that most people in this House and a lot of other houses, people of moderate means, who have worked all their lives, I don't see why we should, if something happens to someone, that the Probate Court should take a sizable amount of that besides the other legal fees that are entailed in going through probate.

I hope that you vote against enactment of this bill

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

Mr. McHENRY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: As I read the bill, from what I can see, the people with small estates are going to be paying more than those with greater estates. What I see right now it is a one mil rate, one dollar for every thousand-at \$10,000 all the way up to \$100,000 and then from \$100,00 on up it is less than that and those that have a million dollar estate, it is going to be \$2. Why not charge the one mil rate of one percent all the way through? If we have a dollar for every thousand dollars, why not a dollar for every thousand dollars all the way through? If somebody could amend the bill to do it, I might be able to support it, but the way it is written right now, people with a million dollar estate or a five million dollar estate would be \$200. Those with \$10,000, \$10; \$20,000 or \$30,000 would be \$30; and those with the million dollar estates would be \$200, I don't think it is fair.

Mr. Reeves of Newport requested a roll call The SPEAKER: For the Chair to order a roll call, it must have the expressed desire of one fifth of the members present and voting. All those in favor of a roll call will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken, and more than one fifth of the members present having expressed a desire for a roll call, a roll call was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is on passage to be enacted. Those in favor will vote yes; those opposed will vote no.

ROLL CALL

YEA—Ainsworth, Allen, Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Beaulieu, Benoit, Bost, Brannigan. Brodeur, Carroll, D.P.; Carroll, G.A.; Cashman, Clark, Connolly, Cooper, Cox, Crouse, Crowley, Daggett, Diamond, Drinkwater, Foster, Gauvreau, Gwadosky, Hall, Handy, Hickey, Hobbins, Holloway, Joyce, Kelleher, Kelly, Kiesman, LaPlante, Lebowitz, MacEachern, Macomber, Manning, Masterton, Matthews, Z.E.; McCollister, McGowan, McSweeney, Michael, Michaud, Mitchell, J.; Moholland, Murray, Nadeau, Norton, Paradis, P.E.; J.W.; Reeves, P.; Richard, Rolde, Rotondi, Small, Smith, C.B.; Soucy, Soule, Stevens, Stover, Swazey, Tammaro, Theriault, Thompson, Tuttle, Vose, Walker, The Speaker.

NAY—Armstrong Bell, Bonney, Bott, Brown, D.N.; Brown, K.L.; Cahill, Callahan, Carrier, Carter, Chonko, Conary, Cote, Curtis, Day, Dexter, Dillenback, Erwin, Greenlaw, Higgins, L.M.; Ingraham, Jackson, Jacques, Joseph, Kilcoyne, Lehoux, Lewis, Locke, MacBride, Martin, A.C.; Martin H.C.; Masterman, Matthews, K.L.; Maybury, McHenry, McPherson, Murphy, Nelson, Paradis, E.J.; Parent, Paul, Perkins, Perry, Pines, Racine, Randall, Reeves, J.W.; Ridley, Roberts, Roderick, Salsbury, Scarpino, Seavey, Sherburne, Smith, C.W.; Sproul, Stevenson, Strout, Telow, Webster, Wentworth, Weymouth, Willey. Zirnkilton.

Scarpino, Seavey, Sherburne, Shifth, C.W., Sproul, Stevenson, Strout, Telow, Webster, Wentworth, Weymouth, Willey, Zirnkilton.

ABSENT—Brown, A.K.; Conners, Davis, Dudley, Hayden, Higgins, H.C.; Jalbert, Kane, Ketover, Lisnik, Livesay, Mahany, Melendy, Mitchell, E.H.; Pouliot.

Yes, 70; No, 64; Absent, 15; Vacant, 2.

The SPEAKER: Seventy having voted in the affirmative and sixty four in the negative, with fifteen being absent and two vacant, the Bill is passed to be enacted.

Signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

RESOLVE, Authorizing the Bureau of Public Lands to Convey by Sale to the Maine State Advent Christian Conference the State's Interest in the Former Municipal Building of Plantation 21 (Emergency) (H. P. 1139) (Committee on State Government suggested)

Tabled—April 19, 1983 by Representative Diamond of Bangor.

Pending—Motion of Representative Gwadosky of Fairfield to refer to Committee on State Government.

Thereupon, the Bill was referred to the Committee on State Government, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 1 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Unanimous Ought Not to Pass

Representative Telow from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act Concerning the Disclosure of Information on Used Cars Sold by Used Car Dealers" (H. P. 538) (L. D. 691) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Representative Perkins from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act to Amend the Maine Traveler Information Services Laws" (H. P. 723) (L. D. 932) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Representative Foster from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Regarding the Investment of Workers' Compensation Settlements" (H. P. 797) (L. D. 1037) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Representative Ingraham from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Credit for Vehicles which are Sold when Another Vehicle is Purchased" (H. P. 599) (L. D. 742) reporting "Ought Not to Pass"

Were placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

Unanimous Leave to Withdraw

Representative Masterman from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act to Provide a Surtax on the Income Tax in Place of the Property Tax to Pay the Costs of County Government" (H. P. 659) (L. D. 827) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Ingraham from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act to Provide for a Dedicated Increase of 2¢ in the State Gasoline Tax" (H. P. 738) (L. D. 947) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative McGowan from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on Bill "An Act to Amend the Municipal Planning and Zoning Law" (H. P. 268) (L. D. 780) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Roderick from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Provide for the Registration of Off-road Motorcycle-type Vehicles" (H. P. 361) (L. D. 419) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Smith from the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife on Bill "An Act to Require the Registration of Off-road Motorized All-terrain Vehicles" (H. P. 822) (L. D. 1062) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Vose from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Allow Consumer Groups to Solicit Funding through Utility Bills" (H. P. 780) (L. D. 1009) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Conary from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act Concerning Insurance Coverage for Persons Referred by a Physician for Hospital Emerency Room Treatment or Evaluation" (H. P. 536) (L. D. 689) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Baker from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Retain Jurisdiction over Telephone Directory Revenues" (H. P. 803) (L. D. 1043) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Representative Masterman from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to Trade-in Credit for Special Mobile Equipment under the Sales and Use Tax Law" (H. P. 426) (L. D. 508) reporting "Leave to Withdraw"

Were placed in the legislative files without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 15 and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to Change the Definition of Firearm in the Maine Criminal Code (S. P. 328) (L. D. 973)

An Act to Define Cider (H. P. 711) (L. D. 902) (H. "A" H-139 to C. "A" H-116)
An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Fees

An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Fees for Private Investigator and Security Guard Licenses (H. P. 755) (L. D. 1005) (C. "A" H-128)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Brannigan of Portland, the House reconsidered its action of earlier in the day whereby Bill "An Act Relating to Forged or Illegal Prescriptions," Senate Paper 492, L. D. 1491, was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mrs. Foster of Ellsworth, Adjourned until Monday, April 25, at nine o'clock in the morning.