

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LEGISLATIVE RECORD**

OF THE

**Seventieth Legislature**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE.**

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**1901.**

**HOUSE.**

Saturday, March 16th.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Newbert of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate bills read and assigned:

An act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain land in Rockland harbor, in the city of Rockland. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Hix of Rockland).

An act amendatory of Chapter 508 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, establishing a municipal court in the town of Norway, relating to the jurisdiction thereof. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Powers of Fort Fairfield).

An act to authorize the Penobscot Log Driving Company to rebuild and raise the height of North Twin dam or to build a new dam to take the place of said North Twin dam. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Porter of Bangor).

An act to incorporate the Long Island Pond Improvement Company. (Tabled pending second reading and assigned for Tuesday on motion of Mr. Jackson of Monson).

An act to correct certain clerical errors and make plain the meaning of and amend Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, relating to inland fisheries and game. (Passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Wilson of Brunswick).

An act to incorporate the Scarborough Water Company.

This bill comes from the Senate amended by Senate Amendment A.

The House reconsidered the vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed, Senate Amendment A was adopted and the bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence as amended.

The following Senate order was received: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House

adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday, March 19th at 10.30 A. M.

Mr. Chase of Portland moved to amend the order by striking out the words "March 19th at 10.30 A. M." and inserting "Monday, March 18th at 4.30 P. M."

The amendment was adopted and the order received a passage as amended.

Subsequently the order came from the Senate, that body receding and concurring with the House.

An act to incorporate the East Pittston Village Corporation comes from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules as amended by Senate Amendments A and B.

In the House the amendments were adopted, and on motion of Mr. Powers of Pittston the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

Mr. Carleton from the committee on the judiciary, reported ought to pass in new draft under same title bill, an act to fix the time of holding the terms of the law court.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Carleton from the committee on the judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill, an act to fix the terms of the supreme judicial court in the counties of Franklin, Knox, Sagadahoc, Somerset and York.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Libby from the committee on legal affairs, reported ought to pass in new draft under same title bill, an act to incorporate Union Lodge, number thirty-one, of Free and Accepted Masons of Union, Maine.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Littlehale of Union, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Thompson from the committee on shore fisheries, on petition reported bill, an act for the further protection of fish weirs.

Mr. Sutherland from the committee on State prison, reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of Maine State prison.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on public buildings and grounds reported ought to pass on resolve in favor of purchasing an oil painting of the old State House.

The reports were accepted, and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. Dudley from the committee on ways and means, reported ought to pass bill, an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1902, amounting to the sum of nine hundred twenty-seven thousand seven hundred twenty-five dollars and ninety-four cents.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Dudley of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve for the purpose of adding specimens to the State museum. (Received under suspension of rules).

Was referred to the committee on financial affairs.

Mr. Powers from the committee on the judiciary, on communication of the report of decisions relating to the fees and expenses of his office, reported that having reported a bill, further legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on legal affairs, on bill, an act to allow the town of Thomaston to have the right to erect, own and operate its own electric light and power plant, reported ought not to pass because of lack of time to give proper notice for hearing.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Briggs from the committee on education, reported ought to pass on resolve to provide for the expenses of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Mr. Minott from the Sagadahoc county delegation, reported ought to pass on bill, an act establishing a salary for the sheriff of Sagadahoc county.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. Shaw of Bath, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

#### READ AND ASSIGNED.

An act authorizing the Old Orchard Water Company to issue bonds for refunding and other proper purposes. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Deering of Saco).

An act to legalize the organization of the Bangor Kindergarten Association and to authorize it to convey real estate. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Beal of Bangor).

An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes relating to the appointment of guardians. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Powers of Fort Fairfield).

An act to incorporate the York Beach Village Corporation. (Read the third time and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules on motion of Mr. Staples of York).

#### PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

Bill an act to authorize the town of East Machias to erect and maintain a half tide dam across the East Machias river on or near the site of the former dam.

Bill, an act to amend the charter of the Springvale Aqueduct Company.

Bill, an act to amend Chapter 167 of the Laws of 1858, incorporating Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation.

Bill, an act to amend Section 2, of Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fees of town and city clerks for recording mortgages.

Bill, an act to amend Chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, relating to the taking of black bass in certain lakes in Kennebec and Somerset counties, also Sabattus pond in Androscoggin county.

Bill, an act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relating to criminal proceedings in court.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital. (Tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. Chase of Portland).

Resolve in favor of the Castine State Normal School. (Tabled pending second

reading on motion of Mr. Chase of Portland).

Resolve in favor of the Madawaska Training School. (Tabled pending passage to be engrossed on motion of Mr. Chase of Portland).

An act to amend Sections 5, 9, 16 and 17 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes, relating to malicious mischief.

An act to establish the East Machias Light and Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Jonesport Light and Water Company.

Resolve laying a tax on the counties of the State for the years 1901 and 1902.

An act to incorporate the Columbia Falls Water and Electric Light Company.

An act in relation to corporations and to provide for a revenue therefrom. (Tabled pending passage to be engrossed on motion of Mr. Powers of Fort Fairfield).

#### PASSED TO BE ENACTED.

An act to amend Section 30 of Chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to banks and trust companies.

An act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, relating to stationary engines.

An act to increase the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Lincoln.

An act authorizing the extension of a wharf into the tide waters of Lubec Narrows.

An act to amend Chapter 69 of the Private Laws of 1869, relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

An act to authorize James M. Moulton to construct and maintain a telephone line between Wayne Village and Leeds Center.

An act to amend the charter of the Tonic Foot Bridge Company.

An act to amend Chapter 195 of the Private Laws of 1887 entitled, an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Waterville.

An act authorizing the commissioners of Penobscot county to erect a court house, and to issue notes or obligations therefor.

An act to amend Chapter 369 of the Private and Special Laws of 1877, relating to the Harrington and Jonesport Telegraph Company.

An act to authorize John P. Yerxa, Edgar Perry, Arthur Gilpatrick and Selden R. Tracy to construct and maintain a dam across the Little Madawaska river, in Aroostook county, and build and maintain piers in said river.

An act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Academy.

An act to amend Chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1899, entitled an act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships.

An act to extend an act, entitled an act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream Dam and Improvement Company.

An act to create a lien for driving logs or lumber under contract with the owner, or any other person.

An act to legalize certain days as school holidays.

An act to prohibit the pursuit and killing of duck and other water fowl by the use of launches or other crafts propelled by other than hand power, upon the waters of Lower Kezar pond in the county of Oxford.

An act to incorporate the Ashland Light and Water Company.

An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to conveyance of scholars.

An act to repeal the bounty on wild cats.

An act to amend the charter of the city of Portland.

An act to repeal Chapter 131, Laws of 1853, relating to herring fisheries in the town of Jonesport.

An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 34 of the Private and Special Laws of 1873, relating to the protection and propagation of eels in Damariscotta river and pond.

An act to amend Section 48 of Chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries. (Tabled and assigned for Tuesday of next week on motion of Mr. Bradford of Eastport).

An act amendatory of Chapter 507 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled an act to establish the Dover municipal court.

An act to fix the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Washington.

An act relating to the taxation of Telegraph and Telephone Companies.

**FINALLY PASSED.**

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

Resolve in favor of Charles H. Burbank.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY.**

Mr. Bennett of Hollis gave notice that on Tuesday next he would move to reconsider the vote whereby bill screening Sebago lake was passed to be enacted.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Portland, the vote was reconsidered whereby bill relating to the Scarborough Water Company was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Chase offered amendment A, by striking out the word "all" in the sixth line of Section one.

The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended.

Mr. Carleton of Winthrop, asked unanimous consent to introduce out of order resolve in favor of the State museum, and moved its reference to the committee on financial affairs.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Carleton, bill relating to salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court was taken from the table and especially assigned for Wednesday of next week.

Bill an act empowering the county commissioners of Aroostook county to dispose of holdings of said county in the preferred stock of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company, comes from the Senate, read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Fort Fairfield, the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Irving of Caribou, the vote was reconsidered whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, and on further motion by the same gentleman, it was laid on the table until Wednesday of next week.

Bill an act to authorize the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company to issue consolidated bonds and secure the same by mortgage, comes from the Senate, read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Fort Fairfield, the rules were suspended, the bill received its three readings, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fellows of Bucksport,

Adjourned.