

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

of the

Seventy-Third Legislature

of the

State of Maine.

1907.

SENATE.

Thursday February 7, 1907.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Kerney of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

(Senator Staples of Knox was at this point called to the chair.)

House Bill Read and Assigned.

An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Trust Company.

An Act to incorporate the Buckfield Trust Company.

An act to regulate the use of certain roads in the towns of Camden and Lincolnville.

An Act to secure a correct census of the deaf, dumb, blind, feeble minded, idiotic and insane in this State.

An Act to authorize the city of Bath to raise money by the issue of bonds for the construction of sewers.

An Act to amend Chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1905 relating to the compensation of Registers of Probate.

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 53 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 in relation to fishing in Bagaduce river.

An Act to regulate the use of certain roads in the town of Bluehill.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway.

An Act to extend the charter of the Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway.

An Act authorizing the Ben Venue Granite Company to construct and maintain a railroad crossing or crossings in the town of Sullivan.

An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 91 of the Public Laws of 1905, relating to close time on smelts.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane hospital.

Resolve in favor of Widow's Island.

Resolve in favor of William R. Marshall.

Resolve in favor of Maine Insane Hospital.

The following communications were received from the Secretary of State:

"To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the Report of the Treasurer of the State of Maine.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

(Signed) A. I. BROWN,
Secretary of State."

which was referred to the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

"To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the Report of the Board of State Assessors.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

(Signed) A. I. BROWN,
Secretary of State."

which was referred to the committee on Taxation.

The President at this point resumed the chair.

The following Bills, Petitions and Resolves were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Merrill of Cumberland: Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 364 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, entitled, 'An Act to create the Portland Bridge District and to confer additional powers on said District.'"

By Mr. Bailey of Somerset: Petition of Paper Makers Union of Madison in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

Also: Petition of Stationary Firemen's Union of Madison in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

Also: Petition of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers' Union of Madison in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Petition of J. A. Stevens and 19 others, of Eden, in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

By Mr. Barrows of Penobscot: Petition of Thomas J. O'Leary and 56 others, of Bangor, in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

By Mr. Bailey of Somerset: Petition of C. S. Wescott and 32 others, of Madison, in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

By Mr. Barrows of Penobscot: Petition of A. Scherer and 39 others of Bangor in favor of the Initiative and Referendum.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Libby of Waldo: Bill, "An Act to extend and amend the Charter of the Union Light and Power Company."

By Mr. Mills of Hancock: Resolve to amend Section 2 of Article 10 of the Constitution of the State of Maine.

Also: Bill, "An Act to incorporate the Stonington Water Company."

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc: Resolution of Sagadahoc County Grange in favor of Appropriation to encourage the utilization of tidal power.

Also: Resolution of Bath Merchants' Association in favor of an appropriation to encourage the utilization of tidal power.

By Mr. Mills of Hancock: Petition of Blake Noyes of Stonington and 27 others for Resolve in favor of Maine State Sanitorium Association.

By Mr. Libby of Waldo: Petition of Dr. R. A. Black of Burnham and 17 others for Resolve in favor of Maine State Sanitorium Association.

Education.

By Mr. Deasy of Hancock: Petition of W. H. Dresser and 124 others, citizens of Ellsworth, for adequate support of the University of Maine.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Houston of Piscataquis: Bill "An Act to erect Piers and Booms in Pleasant River and Branches."

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Bailey of Somerset: Petition of H. E. Pierce and others, citizens of Somerset County, praying for the passage of a law to regulate the taking of firearms upon the wild lands of the State in close season.

Also: Petition of E. W. Moore and 75 others residents of Somerset county, praying for an appropriation to establish a fish hatchery and feeding station in Somerset county.

By Mr. Hastings of Oxford: Petition of F. R. Penley and 41 others of Green-

wood for a close time on all the tributaries of Round Pond in said Greenwood, and on North Pond in said Greenwood and the town of Woodstock.

State Pensions.

By Mr. Barrows of Penobscot: Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State Pensions.

Temperance.

By Mr. Page of Somerset: Remonstrance against the Resubmission of the Prohibitory amendment of Rev. Charles A. Southard and 38 others of St. Albans.

By Mr. Hastings of Oxford: Remonstrance of Rev. Samuel Evans and 63 others of West Paris against Resubmission.

By Mr. Sewall of Sagadahoc: Remonstrance of O. W. Folsom and 63 others of Bath against the Resubmission of Prohibitory amendment.

Read and Assigned.

An Act to continue in force the charter of the Newport Trust Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lily Water Company.

An Act to amend Section 58 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes relating to deposits by the State Treasurer.

An Act to incorporate the Atlantic Trust Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Houston for the Committee on Taxation on Bill, "An Act to amend Section 48 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of Insurance Companies, reported that same ought not to pass. Report accepted.

Mr. Deasy for the Committee on Judiciary, on Bill, "An Act granting certain powers to the Mount Desert Transit Company, reported same ought not to pass. Report accepted.

Mr. Page for the Committee on Banks and Banking, on Bill, "An Act to amend, and additional to the charter of the Rangeley Trust Company, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Merrill for the Committee on Railroads and Expresses, on Bill, "An Act to extend the charter of the Aroostook Valley Railroad Company, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Mills for the Committee on Judiciary on "Petition of N. R. Knowlton and others for change of law in regard to support of insane," reported Petition back to the Senate to be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Report accepted.

The foregoing reports on Bills, ought to pass were accepted and Bills tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to extend the charter of the Kittery Water and Light Company.

An Act to authorize the Portland Wharf and Land Company to erect and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Casco Bay in the city of South Portland.

An Act to repeal Chapter 403 of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1903, entitled "An enabling act for the annexation of the city of South Portland to Portland."

An Act to authorize a bridge in the town of Edgecomb.

An Act to amend Chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of South Portland," as amended by Chapter 138 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905.

An Act to extend the provisions of Chapter 241 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, entitled "An Act to supply the town of Lisbon with pure water."

An Act additional to Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue its bonds to the amount of \$174,000 to pay its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year 1907.

An Act additional to Chapter 420 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to incorporate the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company."

An Act to extend the charter of the Phillips Trust Company.

An Act to better protect the lobster industry within two miles from the shore of Monhegan island between the first day of June and the 25th day of November of each year.

An Act to amend and extend the

charter of the Winter Harbor Trust Company.

An Act to authorize the Southwest Harbor Water Company to buy, generate, sell and distribute electricity.

An Act to amend Section 12, Chapter 117 of Revised Statutes, relating to fees of jurors.

An Act to regulate fishing in that part of Segabo lake known as Songo river, also in Crooked river in the county of Cumberland.

An Act to extend the charter of the Searsport Trust Company.

An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Bath Trust Company."

An Act to amend the charter of the Swan's Island Telephone & Telegraph Company, Chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine for the year 1903.

An Act to authorize the erection and maintenance of piers and booms in the Mattawamkeag river at the mouth of Molunkus stream.

An Act creating certain islands in the town of Harpswell, county of Cumberland and State of Maine into a voting district.

An Act to regulate fishing in Indian pond, so-called, in Township 1, Range 8, W. B. K. P., Franklin county, known as "Lowelltown."

An Act to ratify, confirm and make valid the organization of the Dixfield Light and Water Company.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain lands in the town of Crystal.

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake.

Resolve to appropriate \$250 to screen Sabattus pond, in the county of Androscoggin.

Orders of the Day.

The following Remonstrances were presented out of order under suspension of the Rules.

By Mr. Heselon of Kennebec: Remonstrance of Raymond Patten and 50 others against the removal of the State Capitol.

Also: Remonstrance of J. C. Gilpatrick and 27 others.

Also: Remonstrance of A. C. Eldridge and 40 others of Gardiner for same. referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Also: Remonstrance of Charles A. Knight and 49 others of Gardiner, for same, which were referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds. On motion of Mr. Libby of Waldo, the Senate adjourned.

The same Senator presented Remonstrance of Gardner Roberts and 141 of Litchfield, against Resubmission which was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, Senate Document No. 59 was taken from the table, the same being: Bill, "An Act to create a lien on manufactured staves and laths." On further motion by the same Senator, the Senate voted to reconsider the vote whereby it accepted the report of the committee, and on his further motion, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

On motion by Mr. Deasy of Hancock, Senate Document No. 63, "An Act in relation to the Hancock County Railway Company and the Mount Desert Transit Company," was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same Senator the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Simpson of York, Senate Document No. 64, "An Act to authorize the Atlantic Shore Line Railway to discontinue the operation of its ferry across the Piscataqua river in certain instances," was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same Senator the Bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee, in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Libby of Waldo, Senate Document No. 66, Bill, "An Act relating to the support of the poor by counties and the establishment of county poor-houses and poor-farms," was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same Senator the Bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Hancock, Senate Document No. 65, Bill, "An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, relating to measurement of lobsters," was taken from the table; and on further motion by the same Senator the Bill was re-