

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

SENATE.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1909.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Mosher of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Looney of Cumberland, Bill, "An Act relating to employment of labor," which came from the House, was tabled to be printed.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, "Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, empowering the Governor to remove any Executive officer," which came from the House, was tabled.

On motion by Mr. Looney of Cumberland, "An Act to amend section 48 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, by striking out 'sixty' in the eighth line of said section and inserting instead thereof 'fifty-eight'" which came from the House, was tabled pending reference.

The following bills, petitions and resolves were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Eaton of Washington: Bill, An Act to repeal Chapter 92 of the Public Laws of 1905, entitled An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, this bill was tabled for printing, pending reference.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Hamilton of York: Bill, An Act to submit to the legal voters of York County the Question as to whether the shire town shall be changed and if so, to establish the shire town of Saco, Kennebunk or Sanford. On motion by Mr. Smith of York this bill was tabled for printing, pending reference.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Baxter of Cumberland: Petition of Franklin C. Payson of Portland and others for Resolve in favor of Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland.

Also: Petition of Fred N. Dow of

Portland and others for Resolve in favor of Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland.

Education.

By Mr. Knowlton of Piscataquis: Resolve: In the favor of the University of Maine.

Also: Resolve: In favor of University of Maine, accepting the benefits of the Carnegie foundation.

By Mr. Walker of Hancock: Bill, An Act to amend Section 115 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Public Schools.

Also: Resolve in favor of Eastern State Normal School.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Donegan of Somerset: Bill, An Act to provide for the ownership and maintenance of highway bridges by the State and the construction of such bridges by the State, counties and towns. On motion by the same Senator, this bill was tabled for printing, pending reference. On further motion by the same Senator, it was:

Voted: That one thousand extra copies be printed for the use of the members.

By Mr. Knowlton of Piscataquis: Resolve in favor of Road in Elliotville.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Knowlton of Piscataquis: An Act to change the close season on musk-rats.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Walker of Hancock: Petition of P. W. Richardson and 97 others of Tremont for Repeal of Chap. 352 of Private and Special Laws of 1907 relating to close time on Lobster Fishing in Hancock County.

Claims.

By Mr. Knowlton of Piscataquis: Resolve in favor of the Town of Williamsburg.

By Mr. Boynton of Lincoln: Resolve in favor of the Town of Bremen.

Library.

By Mr. Baxter of Cumberland: Resolve relating to the documentary history of Maine.

Mr. SHAW of Kennebec: Mr. President, I wish to introduce a Resolve.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate adopted a rule yesterday that all bills, acts, petitions orders and resolves should be presented to the Secretary before five o'clock of the day before their introduction. That is now a rule which is binding upon the Secretary and the presiding officer. Resolves cannot be presented this morning that have not been, before five o'clock last night, placed in the hands of the Secretary, except under suspension of the rules.

Mr. SHAW of Kennebec: Mr. President, I would say, in explanation, the Resolve was handed me this morning by a man who had the affair in charge, and who was very anxious it should go in this morning; and I therefore move a suspension of the rules, and that the Resolve be introduced at this time.

The motion prevailed, and under suspension of the rules, Resolve appropriating the sum of \$39,589.88 for the use of the Eastern Maine State Hospital for 1909 was presented, and referred to the committee on Insane Hospitals.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Piscataquis, it was:

Ordered: The House concurring, that the State librarian appoint a suitable person as legislative reference librarian whose duty it shall be to gather and put into accessible form for the use of the members, officers, and committees of this legislature such information and data as will aid them in their official duties and facilitate the performance of the business of the Legislature; and said legislative reference librarian shall receive the same compensation and travel as a member of the Senate or House of Representatives. On motion by Mr. Baxter of Cumberland, the foregoing Order was referred to the committee on Library.

On motion by Mr. Wheeler of Cumberland, It was:

Ordered, the House concurring, that 500 copies of each of the sixteen bills accompanying the Report of the Maine Tax Commission be printed for distribution.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, it was:

Ordered, the House concurring, that the list of committees of this Legislature together with the order of proceed-

ings and rules of this branch, and joint rules, be printed in pamphlet form, three hundred copies for the use of the Senate and six hundred copies for the use of the House.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford, it was:

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 19, 1909, at four o'clock in the afternoon. This Order was subsequently returned from the House, concurred in by that branch.

The President announced the appointment of the following joint committees: Joint Select Committee on Forest Preservation and Water Supply: (On the part of the Senate) Senators Wyman of Washington, Mullen of Penobscot and Warren of Cumberland; Joint Select Committee on Salaries and Fees: (On the part of the Senate): Senators Milliken of Aroostook, Walker of Hancock, Boynton of Lincoln.

The following Order came from the House, passed by that branch:

Ordered, Whereas Friday the 12th day of February, 1909 is the centennial anniversary of the birth of one of the greatest characters in American history, Abraham Lincoln, held in reverent memory by all lovers of freedom and liberty in every clime, and Whereas, the day will be fittingly observed in thousands of schools and public bodies throughout this broad land of ours and may with appropriateness be honored by the State of Maine at its Capitol city, Therefore be it ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that suitable public exercises be held in the Hall of Representatives, or other place to be selected by the committee, on the evening of February 12, 1909; and that a joint committee consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be named to make all necessary arrangements. Passed in concurrence by the Senate.

The President appointed as a committee under the foregoing order, on the part of the Senate, Senators Hastings of Oxford, Irving of Aroostook and Macomber of Kennebec.

On motion by Mr. Howes of Somerset, the Senate adjourned.