

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

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and maintenance of a bridge over flats and tide-waters in Back river in the town of Boothbay.

An Act to authorize the Mousam Water Company to increase its capital stock and extend to Fortunes Rocks.

An Act to authorize the erection of a dam across the East Branch of Spruce Creek in the town of Kittery.

An Act to authorize the Lewiston Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock and issue bonds.

An Act to amend Chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, as amended, relating to fishing in Gull pond, in Dallas Plantation, in the county of Franklin.

An Act to amend Chapter 291 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, relating to fishing in Indian River stream in Washington county.

An Act to regulate fishing in Little Lobster lake, so called, in the county of Piscataquis.

An Act to extend the charter of the Sagamore Insurance Company. (On motion by Mr. Milliken of Aroostook, pending second reading, the following amendment was adopted: Amend by striking out Section 1, "This Act shall take effect when approved.") On further motion by the same Senator, the bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Boynton of Lincoln, the two reports of the committee on Temperance, tabled yesterday, "An Act to abolish the State liquor agencies," and "An Act to repeal Chapter 92 of the Public Laws of 1905, entitled An Act to provide for the better enforcement of the laws against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors," were accepted and assigned for consideration tomorrow morning.

On motion by Mr. Staples of Knox, the order in relation to special and private legislation, tabled February 1, was taken from the table. On further motion by the same Senator, the order was amended as follows: amend by striking out the word "seventh" and inserting in place thereof the word "fourteenth." Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Gowell of York,
Adjourned.

HOUSE.

Thursday, February 9, 1911.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Clifford of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following order came from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that the committee on State school for boys and industrial school for girls be directed to consider the advisability of consolidating the board of trustees of the two institutions, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Williamson of Augusta the order was tabled.

The following petitions, bills, etc., were presented and referred:

Judiciary.

By Mr. Powers of Caribou—Petition of W. E. Cobb and 85 others for two separate terms of court in Caribou.

By Mr. Otis of Rockland—An Act to establish a Law Court and to abolish Superior Courts. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Otis of Rockland and 500 extra copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Bogue of East Machias—Petition of T. J. Murphy and 174 others in favor of Columbus Day bill.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Weymouth of Saco—An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to the relief of poor debtors.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.
By Mr. Littlefield of Bluehill—Resolve in favor of Frank L. Hodgkins.

Education.

By Mr. Boman of Vinalhaven—An Act to amend Section 40 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the union of two or more towns for the employment of a superintendent of schools. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Trafton of Fort Fairfield.)

Railroads and Expresses.

By Mr. Thompson of Skowhegan—

An Act to prohibit the removing of waste or packing from the journal box or boxes of any locomotive or car.

By Mr. Fenderson of Limerick—An Act to regulate the naming of railroad stations.

Br. Mr. Colby of Bingham—An Act for the better protection of the forests from fire.

Agriculture.

By Mr. Knight of Monroe—An Act to amend Section four of Chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1909, relating to contagious diseases among cattle. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Knight of Monroe.)

State Lands and State Roads.

By Mr. Littlefield of Bluehill—Remonstrance of A. C. Hinckley and 56 others, against the sale of certain islands in Bluehill Bay.

By Mr. Morse of Waterford—Resolve to encourage the reforesting of waste lands in the State of Maine. (Tabled for printing pending reference on motion of Mr. Buzzell of Fryeburg.)

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Knight of Monroe—Resolve in favor of screening Swan lake, in the County of Waldo.

Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Harmon of Stonington—Petition of C. L. Babson and 36 others of Sedgwick, against seining of herring.

Placed on File.

By Mr. Trafton of Fort Fairfield—Remonstrance of Fort Fairfield District Sunday School Association, against resubmission.

Taxation.

By Mr. Knight of Monroe—An Act to amend specification one, Section 13, Chapter 9, as amended by Chapter 4, Laws of 1909, relating to taxation of personal property.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Chase from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on Bill, An Act additional to Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes, relating to divorce; also on An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 62, relating to divorce.

Mr. Mayo from the Committee on Shore Fisheries reported "ought not to pass" on Bill, An Act to authorize the construction and maintenance of a fish weir in the tidewaters of Castine Harbor, in the county of Hancock.

Same gentleman from same Committee, on Petition of H. W. Grindle and 31 others praying for a change of the fish laws on Bagaduce river, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same Committee, on Petition of Horace Mitchell and 32 others for a change in Chapter 251, Section 5, of the Special Laws of 1907, praying for the better protection of sturgeon, reported same.

Same gentleman from same Committee, on Petition of R. F. Bickford and 39 others, praying for a close time on lobsters in certain waters, reported same.

Same gentleman from same Committee, on Petition of Ralph C. Bowden and 100 others of Bluehill, praying that the law be repealed prohibiting the dragging of smelts in Bluehill Bay, reported same.

Same gentleman from same Committee, on Petition of Ernest M. Torrey and 29 others, praying that a close time on lobsters be had, reported same.

Mr. Davies from the Committee on the Judiciary, on Bill, An Act changing the name of the Board of Railroad Commissioners to Public Service Commission and providing for the supervision of railroads, street railways, gas plants, electric light plants, telegraph and telephone lines and express companies, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. Willhamson from same Committee, on Bill, An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 352 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, relating to the salary of judge of municipal court of Caribou, reported that same be referred to the Aroostook Delegation.

The reports were accepted.

Mr. Trafton from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on Bill, An Act to grant additional powers to the Lubec Sardine Company.

Mr. Lawrie from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "ought to

pass" on Bill, An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Baker and Spencer Brook Dam and Improvement Company.

Mr. Conners from the same Committee reported same on Bill in a new draft, An Act to authorize the improvement of Fall Brook, in the towns of Bingham and Brighton.

Mr. Mayo from the Committee on Shore Fisheries reported "ought to pass" on Bill, An Act to repeal Chapter 276 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, entitled "An Act for the better protection of shell fish within the town of Yarmouth, in the county of Cumberland."

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill, An Act to authorize the construction and maintenance of a weir in the waters of Passamaquoddy Bay, in the town of Perry.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Interior Waters reported same on Resolve in favor of E. F. Coburn, Andover, Maine, with statement of facts.

Mr. Packard from the Committee on Railroads and Expresses. on Bill, An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to authorize extensions of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad in Aroostook, Piscataquis and Penobscot counties, being Chapter 222 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903 as amended by Chapter 70 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907," reported same.

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

Passed to Be Engrossed.

An Act to authorize the York Light

and Heat Company to acquire additional properties.

An Act to amend Chapter 481 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled "An Act to Incorporate Sebago Improvement Company."

An Act ratifying and confirming the sale of the railroad and franchises of the Atlantic Shore Line Railway and the incorporation of the Atlantic Shore Railway.

An Act to create the Bingham Water District.

An Act to incorporate the Bingham Water Company.

Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Williamson of Augusta, Resolve in favor of the town of Sebec, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Hodgman of Camden, bill, An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, relating to annual examinations of savings banks and trust companies and verification of savings banks deposits, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on banks and banking.

On motion of Mr. Waldron of Portland, Resolve calling for a conference of the governors of the United States by Governor Plaisted of Maine, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on shore fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Hastings of Auburn.

Adjourned.