

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Seventh Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1915



## **HOUSE**

Thursday, February 4th, 1915.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hope of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act amendatory of Sections 27 and 28 of Chapter 129 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to corporations for the operation of telegraphs or telephones and other public utilities.

In the House this bill was referred to the committee on telegraphs and telephones, and comes from the Senate recommitted to the committee on reference of bills.

The bill was recommitted to the committee on reference of bills, in concurrence with the Senate.

The following bills, petitions, etc., were presented and, on recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

### **Agriculture.**

By Mr. McIntire of Watford: Resolve in favor of the Maine Seed Improvement Association, with statement of facts.

### **Appropriations and Financial Affairs.**

By Mr. McCarty of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of the Lewiston and Auburn Children's Home, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Conners of Bangor: Resolve in favor of the Bangor Anti-Tuberculosis Association, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Ellis of Gardiner: Resolve in favor of the W. C. T. U. Temporary Home for Children at Gardiner, with statement of facts.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Fred S. Howard and 25 others of Mt. Cutler Grange, No. 152, in favor of same; also petition of H. O. Saunders and 11 others of Sweden Grange, No. 134, in favor of same; also petition of S. J. Spaulding and 29 others of Mountain Grange, No. 164, in favor of same; also

petition of J. E. Conant and five others of Rockemeka Grange, No. 109, in favor of same; also petition of W. F. Gammon and 15 others of Ridlonville, Oxford County, in favor of same; also petition of J. H. Hobart and 37 others of Willow Grange, No. 366, in favor of same.

By Mr. Towle of West Gardiner: Petition of Harry L. Jones and 17 others of Stevens Mill Grange, No. 294, in favor of same; also petition of A. T. Barker and 12 others of Norland Grange, No. 219, in favor of same; also petition of E. P. Ramsdell and 38 others of East Hebron Grange, No. 300, in favor of same; also petition of J. R. Danforth and 31 others of Evening Star Grange, No. 182, in favor of same.

By Mr. Ellis of Gardiner: Petition of Albert Beliveau and 72 others of Rumford in favor of same; also petition of E. J. Webber and 27 others of Maple Grange, No. 187, in favor of same, also petition of Herbert Barter and 14 others of Wiscasset Grange, No. 373, in favor of same; also petition of W. P. Perry and 23 others of Norway Grange No. 45, in favor of same; also petition of W. W. Perkins and 12 others of Lone Mountain Grange, No. 131, in favor of same; also petition of Matthew McCarty and 74 others of Rumford in favor of same; also petition of A. J. Murray and 36 others of Canton, in favor of same.

### **Education.**

By Mr. Perham of Woodstock: An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section two of Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1905 and Chapter 122 of the Public Laws of 1913, in relation to accounting for and expenditure of school funds.

By the same gentleman: An Act to provide for the distribution of state school funds.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: An Act to amend Section 88 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1905, as amended by Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1907, as amended by Chapter 190 of the Public Laws of 1909, as amended by Chapter 23 of the Public Laws of 1911, as amended by Chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to school holidays.

By Mr. Mitchell of Newfield. Resolve in favor of the town of Newfield



for the payment of additional state school funds for the year 1912.

#### **Inland Fisheries and Game.**

By Mr. Thombs of Lincoln: An Act additional to Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to night hunting.

By Mr. Small of Mt. Desert: Petition of A. A. Bartlett and 193 other residents of Mt. Desert Island, asking that said island be opened to deer hunting from November 15 to December 15 of each year, one deer to be allowed to a person in one season.

By Mr. Carson of Mt. Vernon: Petition of L. R. Fellows of Fayette, and 35 others, asking that Tilton, Davis and Basin Ponds, in Kennebec County, be closed to all ice fishing.

By Mr. Perham of Woodstock: Petition of F. W. Wright and 39 others, residents of South Paris and vicinity, asking for the passage of a resident hunter's license law.

By Mr. Gerrish of Greenville: Petition of C. F. Woodard and 32 others, citizens of Maine, in favor of same, also petition of John M. Douglass and 67 others, citizens of Maine, in favor of same; also petitions of C. A. Judkins and 80 others, citizens of Maine, in favor of same.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: Petition of Fred Henderson of Jackman and 44 others, in favor of same.

By Mr. Wise of Guilford: Petition of James H. Hudson and 16 others, residents of Guilford, in favor of same.

By Mr. Jordan of Baileyville: Petition of John A. Story and 43 other residents of Great Lake Stream, Washington County, asking for a law to permit the taking of white perch in Grand, Jnnior, Compass, Dobsis and Tributary Lakes, for sale.

By Mr. Brawn of Bradley: Petition of F. C. Barton and 53 other residents of Bradley and vicinity, in the county of Penobscot, asking that the law permitting the taking of salmon with drift nets on the Penobscot River from the Waterworks Dam, at Bangor, to Seboeis River, be restored.

By Mr. Danforth of Foxcroft: Petition of J. P. Sprague of Dover, and 46 other residents of Maine, in favor of a resident hunting license law.

By Mr. Turner of Hartford: Remon-

strance of Asa Robinson and 74 others of Oxford County, against the passage of the resident hunter's act.

#### **Interior Waters.**

By Mr. Wise of Guilford: Resolve in aid of navigation on Sebec Lake, with statement of facts.

#### **Judiciary.**

By Mr. Plummer of Lisbon Falls: An Act amending Section 12 of Chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the registration of physicians and surgeons.

By Mr. Sanborn of South Portland: An Act in relation to certain rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

#### **Labor.**

By Mr. Wescott of Bluehill: An Act to establish a minimum wage for State-House employees.

#### **Legal Affairs.**

By Mr. Gerrish of Greenville: An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Barrows Falls Light and Power Company.

By Mr. Plummer of Lisbon: Petition of Frank McInnes and 201 others, citizens of Lisbon, in favor of an act to authorize the town of Lisbon to supply gas and electricity.

By Mr. Greenleaf of Portland: Petition of Helen M. Jones and 82 other nurses in Cumberland County for passage of an act to procure state registration for nurses; also petition of Clark M. Robinson, M. D., and 104 other physicians of Cumberland County in favor of same.

By Mr. Pierce of Farmington: Petition of A. Reynolds, M. D., and nine other physicians of Farmington in favor of same.

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Petition of Annie Gilliss Davidson and four other nurses of Fort Fairfield in favor of same; also petition of Amber A. Mills and three others of Caribou in favor of same; also petition of Charles F. Thomas, Jr., M. D., and six other physicians of Caribou in favor of same; also petition of H. F. Kalloch, M. D., and five other physicians of Fort Fairfield in favor of same.

#### **Library.**

By Mr. Mulligan of Nobleboro: Re-



solve in favor of an History of Pemaquid, of Bristol, with statement of facts.

#### **Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.**

By Mr. Gallagher of Bangor: An Act providing for punishment of offences against habitations and other buildings.

By the same gentleman: An Act prohibiting the rebating of premiums of fire insurance.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: An Act relating to cancellation of insurance agents' license for over-insurance.

By the same gentleman: An Act relating to qualifications of insurance agents.

By the same gentleman: An Act providing for licenses for adjusters of fire losses.

#### **Pensions.**

By Mr. Millett of Belfast: Resolve in favor of Annie L. Durham of Belfast, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Drummond of Winslow: Resolve providing a state pension for Hannah M. Condon, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Morrison of Eden: Petition of W. E. Hadley and 22 others of Mountain View Grange of Eden, in favor of the Act for the relief of the blind residents of Maine.

By Mr. Wescott of Bluehill: Petition of Leslie T. Candage and six others of Massapaqua Grange, No. 477, of South Bluehill, in favor of same.

By Mr. Wasgatt of Deer Isle: Petition of G. M. Allen and 20 others of Sedgwick Grange, No. 24, of Sedgwick, in favor of same.

By Mr. Ricker of Castine: Petition of John E. Dority and 19 others of Castine Grange, No. 250, of Castine, in favor of same; also petition of Jedediah Seavey and 22 others of Floral Grange, No. 158, of North Bucksport, in favor of same.

By Mr. Lewis of North Haven: Petition of H. T. Crockett, Master, and 31 others of North Haven Grange, No. 496, of North Haven, in favor of same; also petition of Harry A. Swift and five others of Highland Grange, No. 387, of Warren, in favor of same.

By Mr. St. Clair or Rockland: Petition of Earl Ludwick and 23 others of Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 274, of Rockland, in favor of same.

By Mr. Wescott of Bluehill: Petition of A. R. Cousins and five others of

Rainbow Grange, No. 203, of North Brooksfield, in favor of same.

By Mr. Watts of South Thomaston: Petition of Winslow L. Robinson and 33 others of St. George Grange, No. 421, of St. George, in favor of same.

By Mr. McCorrison of Appleton: Petition of Perley Perry and seven others of Georges Valley Grange, No. 1196, of Appleton, in favor of same.

By Mr. Pierce of Farmington Grange, No. 12, of Farmington, in favor of same; also petition of Cliff Maxwell and eight others of Blue Mountain Grange, No. 400, of Weld, in favor of same.

#### **Portland Delegation**

By Mr. Colcord of Portland: An Act to amend the charter of the city of Portland.

#### **Salaries and Fees.**

By Mr. Greenleaf of Portland: An Act to amend chapter 118 of the Public Laws of 1905, entitled "An Act relating to the compensation of clerks of courts, Cumberland county."

#### **Sea and Shore Fisheries.**

By Mr. Maxwell of Boothbay Harbor: Petition of G. B. Richardson and 37 others for enactment of a law to prevent seining for herring in Sheepscot River and its tributaries.

#### **Taxation.**

Mr. Albert of Madawaska: An Act for the prompt payment of poll taxes.

#### **Ways and Bridges.**

By Mr. Wise of Guilford: Resolve in favor of widening and otherwise repairing a road in the town of Abbot, county of Piscataquis, with statement of facts.

By Mr. McKinley of Jackson: Resolve in favor of building a road around Cook Hill, in the town of Jackson, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Ranney of Winn: Resolve in favor of the town of Howland to aid in maintaining a bridge across the Piscataquis River in the town of Howland, with statement of facts.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the towns of Enfield and Howland for repairing bridge across Penobscot River, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Wyman of Kingfield: Resolve in favor of Jerusalem and Crocker Townships, in Franklin County for the



repair and permanent improvement of highways, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Pollard of Solon: Resolve in favor of repairing a highway in the town of Solon, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Ranney of Winn: Resolve in favor of the town of Howland for maintenance of Sebouis bridge, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Ames of Stockton Springs: Petition of the selectmen of Stockton Springs in favor of resolve for rebuilding a section of Marsh Hill Road, in Stockton Springs; also petition of Frank L. Tyler and 37 others of Waldo County, in favor of same; also petition of S. B. Merithew and 67 others of Waldo County, in favor of same; also petition of O. S. Ellis and 80 others, citizens and tax payers of Penobscot County, in favor of same; also petition of F. L. Blanchard and 18 others of Waldo County, in favor of same.

By Mr. Gration of Starks: Petition of G. W. Blanchard and 22 others in favor of an appropriation for the purpose of assisting in building a state road from Jackman through Lond Pond Plantation to Kineo.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: Petition of Abram Newton and 32 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Pollard of Solon: Petition of U. S. Moore and 42 others in favor of same.

### Orders

Mr. GALLAGHER of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I have here an order in reference to the printing of the calendar of each day. It has become customary in the House for the clerk to have such a calendar printed, but on account of the controversy or the possibility, I might say, the misunderstanding in relation to the matter of printing, and in order to avoid confusion, it has been thought best to present this order.

Mr. Gallagher then presented the following order and moved its adoption:

Ordered, That after the present week the clerk of the House cause to be prepared a calendar for each daily session, specifying the various work allotted for each day, for the use of the members and officers of the House and

Senate, and that the number of calendars printed for each day be 250.

The order received a passage.

### First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves.

An Act to extend the charter of the Monson Water Company

An Act to extend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad.

Resolve in favor of the repair of the River Road in Pleasant Ridge Plantation, in the county of Somerset, in the part thereof known as the John Rowe Ledge.

Resolve in favor of repair of highway in Caratunk Plantation.

Resolve in favor of the construction of road in the town of Moscow.

### Orders of the Day

Mr. CONNERS of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I move that the order relating to the contract for state printing which came into the House yesterday from the Senate and was laid upon the table be now taken from the table.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. CONNERS: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this order be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. HIGGINS of Brewer: Mr. Speaker, upon that motion, I call for the yeas and nays.

A sufficient having arisen, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Connors, to indefinitely postpone the order relating to printing which has just been taken from the table. All those in favor of the motion to indefinitely postpone, will say yes, when their names are called; all those opposed, will say no. The clerk will call the roll.

YEAS—Ballard, Bernier, Blake, New Gloucester; Bourque, Brawn, Brown, Auburn; Brown, New Sharon; Chadbourne, Clifford, Colcord, Connellan, Connors, Corliss, Currier, Davis, Descoteaux, Douglass, Drapeau, Durgain, Edwards, Fossett, Gallagher, Gerrish, Gilmour, Goldthwaite, Gooding, Goodwin, Greeley, Greenleaf, Haraden, Haskell, Hill, Hobbs, Hodgkins, Holt, Skowhegan; Jameson, Leader, Lewis, Libby, Lord, Maxwell, McCarty, McCarrison, McCurdy, McIntire, Mi-



Chaud, Millett, Mulligan, Mullin, Neilon, Newell, Noyes, Peabbles, Perkins, Picher, Pierce, Farmington; Pierce, Houlton, Plummer, Pollard, Roberts, Robinson, Russell, Lewiston; Small, Smith, Tabbutt, Tate, Thibodeau, Trafton, Turner, Ward, Wasgait, Watts, Webb, Welch, Wheeler, Wilkins, Wilson, Woodman, Wyman.

NAYS—Albert, Allen, Ames, Averill, Beal, Benn, Besse, Blake, Oakland; Bradbury, Bragdon, Brann, Bussey, Carson, Chaplin, Chamberlin, Clement, Cobb, Coffin, Daigle, Danforth, Dilling, Drummond, Dutton, Ellis, Erskine, Evans, Fay, Ford, Gould, Grant, Greateon, Greenlaw, Hanson, Saco; Hanson, Sanford; Harper, Hart, Higgins, Holt, Gouldsboro; Jordan, Lawrence, Littlefield, Lombard, Mansir, McKinley, McNally, Meader, Mitchell, Morrison, Morse, Nicholas, O'Connell, Perham, Peterson, Ranney,

Ricker, Russell, Alfred; Ryder, St. Clair, Calais; St. Clair, Rockland; Sanborn, Snow, Thombs, Tobey, Towle, Tuttle, Varney, Washburn, Waterhouse, Westcott, Wise.

ABSENT—Bonney, Campbell.

Yeas, 79.

Nays, 70.

Absent, 2.

The SPEAKER: Seventy-nine having voted in the affirmative, and 70 having voted in the negative, the motion prevails and the order is indefinitely postponed by the House.

On motion by Mr. Watts of South Thomaston.

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.