

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE**

Wednesday, February 9, 1921.

Senate called to order by the President pro tempore.

Prayer by Rev. H. H. Brown of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that a joint special committee consisting of the speaker of the House, ex-officio, and three members on the part of the House to be named by the speaker, and the president of the Senate, ex-officio, and two members upon the part of the Senate to be named by the president of the Senate, be appointed to formulate a comprehensive plan for the codification and grouping of the various enactments creating and governing the State administrative and executive departments; and be it further

Ordered, that it is the sense of this legislature that a re-organization and consolidation of the several State departments, commissions, boards and bureaus, is possible and desirable at this time; and be it further

Ordered, that such committee shall proceed with diligence to inquire into the whole proposition and report from time to time to the present legislature for further instructions, suggestions or actions; and be it further

Ordered, that such committee consider carefully the urgent need of a fixed policy insuring to all of the people of our State the largest possible measure of efficient service consistent with the absolute necessity of the most rigid and practical economy.

In the House this order was read and passed.

The Senate passed the order in concurrence, and the Chair stated that the members of the committee on the part of the Senate would be announced later.

From the House: Resolve in favor of the widow of Governor Parkhurst.

In the House this resolve was read twice under suspension of the rules and was passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate on motion by Mr. Emerson of Aroostook, tabled pending concurrent action.

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

**Education**

By Mr. Farrington of Kennebec: An Act to provide for Temperance Day in the Public Schools in the State of Maine.

**Judiciary**

By Mr. Garcelon of Androscoggin: An Act to provide for the filling of vacancies in the office of United States Senator by appointment, and to amend Section 42 of Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes relating thereto. (500 ordered printed.)

By Mr. Farrington of Kennebec: Resolve authorizing F. Burton Haggett and Lawrence B. Haggett to bring a suit at law against the State of Maine.

By Mr. Sprague of Piscataquis: An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 130 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the disposal of fines imposed thereunder and personal property used for prizes in lotteries or devices of chance, and the procedure of punishment.

By Mr. Thompson of Knox: Remonstrance from Frank B. Gregory and 70 others of Rockland; of Mary L. Littlehale and 62 others of Rockland; of Frank H. Ingraham and 82 others of Rockland; of Benj. P. Brown and 48 others of Rockland; of E. W. Webber and 19 others of Rockland; of Eva M. Wisner and 41 others of Rockland; of Annie F. Frye and 30 others of Rockland; of Lucy B. Rhodes and 41 others of Rockland against any change in the Sunday law.

**Legal Affairs**

By Mr. Thompson of Knox: An Act additional to Section 47 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes re-

lating to surveys in real or mixed actions. (500 ordered printed.)

By the same senator: An Act relating to law libraries and their support. (500 ordered printed.)

By Mr. Folsom of Somerset: An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes relating to public exhibitions and amusements.

By Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc: An Act to amend chapter 134 of the public laws of 1834 as amended by chapter 167 of the public laws of 1835, as amended by section 11 of the city charter of the city of Bath, as amended by chapter 125 of the public laws of 1895, relating to a Municipal Court in the city of Bath.

By Mr. Emerson of Aroostook: An Act additional to section 30, chapter 26, Revised Statutes, relating to the use of loghauers in streets.

#### Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Thombs of Penobscot: An Act to fix the salaries of Justices of the Superior Courts, amending Section 6 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, Section 9 of Chapter 260 of the Public Laws of 1917 and Section 9 of Chapter 10 of the Public Laws of 1919.

#### Towns

By Mr. Putnam of Washington: An act to divide the town of Jonesport and incorporate the town of Beals. (500 ordered printed.)

#### Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Clark of Lincoln: Resolve to aid the towns of New Castle and Jefferson in repairing a road.

By Mr. Clement of Waldo: Resolve in favor of the town of Freedom for repairing a Highway.

By the same senator: Resolve in favor of the town of Searsmont for repairing a bridge.

By Mr. Eaton of Oxford: Resolve in favor of the town of Rumford, to aid in repairing the highway leading from Rumford Center ferry to the Milton town line.

By Mr. Emery of Washington: Resolve in favor of the town of Addison for improvement of road leading from the State highway in Columbia Falls to the town of Jonesport.

#### Orders

On motion by Mr. Adams of Kennebec, it was

Ordered, that the State librarian be authorized to furnish to each member and officer of the Senate a copy of the Maine book.

#### Message to the House

On motion by Mr. Thompson of Knox, it was

Ordered, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a joint convention in the Hall of the House forthwith for the purpose of extending an invitation to the Governor to attend the convention and present such communication as he may be pleased to make.

The secretary conveyed the message and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message as directed.

#### Message From the House

A message was received from the House, conveyed by the clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred in the proposition of the Senate for a joint convention to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of extending an invitation to the Governor to present such communication as he may be pleased to make.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore: The Senate hears the message.

#### Reports of Committees

By Mr. Allen from the Committee on Education, on An Act to establish a Normal School to be located at Dexter, in the county of Penobscot, reported that the same ought not to pass.

By the same senator from the same committee, on An Act to establish the State University of Maine and to provide for its maintenance, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Eaton from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, on Resolve in favor of P. F. Crane, Secretary of the Senate of the Seventy-ninth Legislature, reported that the same ought to pass.

By the same senator from the same committee, on Resolve appropriating money for the expenses of Electoral

College for the State of Maine for the year Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, reported that the same ought to pass.

By Mr. Emerson from the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation, on An Act to provide for the disposition of moneys received from the White Mountain Forest Reserve under an Act of Congress of May 23, 1908, reported that the same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the bill's tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore: The Senate will now proceed to the Hall of the House for the purpose of holding a joint convention.

The Senate thereupon proceeded to the Hall of the House.

(For proceedings in joint convention see house report).

Upon the return of the Senate to its chamber it was called to order by the President pro tempore.

**Passed to Be Engrossed**

An Act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties payable by public officers.

On motion by Mr. Bemis of Somerset,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.