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**SENATE**

Tuesday, February 22, 1921.

Senate called to order by the President pro tempore.

Prayer by Rev. T. J. Winslade of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend Section 23, Chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the acknowledgement of deeds.

In the Senate this bill was passed to be engrossed. In the House it was passed to be engrossed, then the House reconsidered that action and recommitted the bill to the committee on judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Gillin of Penobscot the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider the action by which the bill was passed to be engrossed. On further motion by the same senator the bill was recommitted to the committee on judiciary, in concurrence.

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

**Educational and Legal Affairs**

Mr. Morrill of Cumberland: An Act to establish the Status of Children Relative to Schooling whose parents work in State Institutions.

**Ways and Bridges**

By Mr. Adams of Kennebec: An Act to confer upon the State Highway Commission, and municipal officers, the powers of road commissioners in removing obstructions from highways.

**Reports of Committees**

Mr. Gillin from the Committee on Judiciary, on An Act to prohibit the free transportation of State Officials over public conveyances, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Farrington from the same committee: on An Act to amend Section 9, Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relative to salary of Reporter of Decisions, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

The same senator from the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 77 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relative to clerk hire for Reporter of Decisions, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

The reports were accepted and the bills so referred.

The same senator from the same committee, on An Act relating to the records of instruments affecting or conveying title to real estate in the County of Knox and now recorded in other counties (Senate Doc. No. 36), reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and on motion by Mr. Folsom of Somerset under suspension of the rules the bill was given its first reading.

**Passed to Be Engrossed**

S. 23. An Act to better protect the lobster industry within two miles of the shore of Monhegan Island between the first day of June and the 25th day of November of each year. (Tabled by Mr. Holt of Hancock pending acceptance of the report of the committee.)

S. 58. Resolve to appropriate money for the purchase of the history of the town of Williamsburg. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Farrington of Kennebec pending acceptance of the report of the committee.)

S. 61. Resolve in favor of the State purchasing the alphabetical index of the Revolutionary Pensioners in Maine and appropriating money for such purpose. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Farrington of Kennebec pending acceptance of the report.)

S. 67. An Act to amend Section two and Section eight of Chapter

fifty-five of the Private and Special Laws of 1903, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Village Corporation."

S. 66. An Act to validate the incorporation of Libby, McNeil and Libby and to amend its corporate purposes.

S. 62. Resolve to appropriate money for the purchase of a History of York.

S. 64. An Act amendatory of Section seven, Chapter one hundred seventeen of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of judges upon retirement.

S. 65. An Act to amend subdivision VII of Section sixty-four, Chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to property exempt from attachment and execution.

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, Senate Document No. 65, relating to property exempt from attachment, although it has the unanimous endorsement of the committee on legal affairs, I feel, upon further reflection and after consultation with some members of that committee, that it may be a question whether or not it is wise legislation. And to save time, Mr. President, I move that the matter be indefinitely postponed. And I will say to the senators that it is not a matter of any great importance, and that if you concur in my motion you won't sacrifice any rights now given to debtors under the statute.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Cobb of Kennebec, House Document 160, An Act to provide a charter for the City of Gardiner, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary, in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Farrington of Kennebec, S. D. No. 58, Resolve to appropriate money for the purchase of the history of the town of

Williamsburg, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by the same senator, S. D. No. 61, Resolve in favor of the State purchasing the alphabetical index of the Revolutionary pensioners, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the resolve was given its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by the same senator, H. D. No. 96, An Act establishing a game sanctuary in Range 3, east of the Kennebec river, in the city of Augusta and county of Kennebec, was taken from the table. On further motion by the same senator, the report of the committee was accepted and the bill was given its first reading.

The same senator then offered Senate Amendment A to H. D. No. 96, and moved its adoption.

#### Senate Amendment A to House Document No. 96

House Document No. 96, An Act establishing a game sanctuary in Range 3, east of the Kennebec river, in the city of Augusta and county of Kennebec, is hereby amended by striking out in Section 1 the words "Provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not prohibit any person owning land within the limits of the territory described herein from shooting at or destroying any wild animal when found destroying his property; and provided, further," and inserting in place thereof the words "Provided, however," so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"Section 1. No person shall, except as herein provided, at any time, hunt, pursue, shoot at or kill any wild animal or any game or other wild bird within the following described territory situated in the city of Augusta, in the county of Kennebec: Bounded on the north by the south line of Lot No. forty-two, Range three, east of the Kennebec river, on the east by the east line of said Range three, on the south by the North Belfast road and the south line of Lot No. thirty-six, of said Range three, and on the west by

the west line of said Range three, consisting of about six hundred acres.

Provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prohibit the trapping of wild animals within the above described territory in accordance with the general laws of the State. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be subject to a penalty of not less than ten nor more than three hundred dollars and costs for each offense or imprisonment for sixty days or both said fine and imprisonment."

The amendment was read by the secretary.

The amendment was then adopted, and the second reading of the bill assigned for tomorrow morning.

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On motion by Mr. Parent of Androscoggin, An Act to regulate the assessors' value of lands in the city of Lewiston, was taken from the table.

Mr. PARENT: Mr. President, may I inquire to what committee that bill was referred?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore: In the House this bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

Mr. PARENT: Mr. President, I now move that we concur with the House and refer this bill to the committee on legal affairs.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was so referred.

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The PRESIDENT pro tempore: The Chair will state at this time that he is informed by the Speaker of the

House that the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts is the guest of the Legislature, and is now in the House. A proposal for a joint session to listen to a brief address by him will presently come from the House. For that reason we will take a recess at this time for a few minutes.

#### After Recess

A message was received from the House, conveyed by the clerk, proposing a joint convention to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of listening to an address by the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Mr. ALLEN of York: Mr. President, I move that we concur with the House in the proposal for a joint convention to be held forthwith in the House for the purpose of listening to an address by the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts, and that the secretary convey the message.

The motion was agreed to, the secretary conveyed the message, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

The Senate thereupon proceeded to the Hall of the House for the purpose of holding a joint convention.

(For proceedings in joint convention see House report).

Upon the return of the Senate to its chamber,

Upon motion by Mr. Eaton of Oxford, Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.