

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**HOUSE**

Thursday, January 25, 1923.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Skillin of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

**(Emergency Measure)**

The SPEAKER: The Chair presents at this time, out of order, a resolve to be finally passed--Resolve appropriating money for the University of Maine for fire escapes. This being an emergency measure and requiring under the Constitution the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of this House on its final passage, all those who are in favor of the final passage of the resolve will rise and stand in their places until counted, and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had, 131 voted, all in the affirmative and the resolve was finally passed.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act to amend Section 53 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 111 of the Public Laws of 1919, and Chapter 174 of the Public Laws of 1921, relative to the slash laws.

In the Senate, referred to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Curtis of Brewer referred to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

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

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

By Mr. Burns of Eagle Lake: Resolve in aid of Northern Maine General Hospital at Eagle Lake.

By Mr. Chalmers of Bangor: Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Pendleton in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the contested Representative Election

Case from the class towns of Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport and Frankfort.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Roy L. Fernald, in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the contested Representative Election Case from the class towns of Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport and Frankfort.

By the same gentleman: Resolve appropriating money to aid the Eastern Maine General Hospital at Bangor.

(On motion by Mr. Downing of Bangor, 500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: Resolve providing for assistance to the deaf by the Maine Mission for the Deaf.

By Mr. Downing of Bangor: Resolve appropriating money for the Good Samaritan Home Association, Bangor, Maine, for the care, medical and surgical treatment of Maternity Patients and their Children, the resources of whom and of whose responsible relatives are insufficient to pay for the same.

By Mr. Keene of Belfast: Resolve in favor of Waldo County General Hospital for maintenance.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society for maintenance.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the Home for Aged Women in Belfast.

**Education**

By Mr. Knight of Turner: Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institution for General Maintenance.

**Inland Fisheries and Game**

By Mr. McDonald of E. Machias: An Act relating to protection of Muskrats in Gardner's Lake and Tributaries, in the towns of East Machias, Whiting and Marion, in the county of Washington.

**Judiciary**

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 184 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the Jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission over certain Motor Vehicles.

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An Act to amend Section 89 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relative to Dissolution of Corporations.

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An Act to amend Section 41 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 28 of the Public Laws of 1921, providing for the Amendment of Purposes.

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Nichols of Portland: An Act to amend Chapter 95 of the Public Laws of 1917, relative to giving Checks or Drafts on Banks where maker has not sufficient funds.

By the same gentleman: An Act to amend Paragraph No. 1 under Section 1, Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relative to Granting of Licenses.

#### **Legal Affairs**

By Mr. Oakes of Portland: An Act to confer certain Additional Powers upon the Municipal Officers of Cities and Towns.

(1000 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Hale of Portland: An Act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to Unauthorized Advertisements as Certified Public Accountants.

By the same gentleman: An Act to amend Section 22 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to Corporate Records and Stock Lists.

#### **Pensions**

By Mr. Winslow of Raymond: Resolve granting a Teacher's Pension to Melville C. Smart of Gray, Maine.

By Mr. Leathers of Hermon: Resolve increasing Pension of Lester Patten of Hermon.

By Mr. Towne of Norway: Resolve in favor of State Pension for Levi Holden.

#### **Public Health**

By Mr. Hamilton of Caribou: Resolve appropriating money for the establishment of a test laboratory at Caribou, in the county of Aroostook.

#### **Salaries and Fees**

By Mr. Sayward of Alfred: An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921 relative to Clerk Hire in the Registry of Deeds for York County.

#### **Ways and Bridges**

By Mr. Keef of Vanceboro: Resolve in favor of Road in Codyville Plantation in Washington County.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Chas. E. Harriman and 28 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of road in Danforth.

By the same gentleman: Resolve to aid in repairing the Thompson Road, so-called, in Lambert Lake Plantation.

By the same gentleman: Resolve to aid in repairing the Vanceboro Road, so-called, through Township No. 9, Range 2, and No. 1, Range 3, in Washington County.

By Mr. Adams of Liberty: Resolve appropriating money for road in the town of Searsmont.

By Mr. Blaisdell of Sullivan: Resolve providing for the repair of a road in the town of Sullivan.

By Mr. Lord of Wells: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the repair and construction of the highway from Wells to the New Hampshire State Line, through the towns of Wells, North Berwick and Berwick, and providing for the future maintenance thereof.

By the same gentleman: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the repair and construction of the Highway leading from the Saw Mill Bridge, so-called to the residence of Hiram C. Lord in the town of Lebanon.

On motion by Mr. Stevens of Belgrade, the rules were suspended and that gentleman took from the table bill relating to the amendment of the charter of the Belgrade Lakes Village Corporation, and on further motion by the same gentleman, that bill was referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

#### **Reports of Committees**

Mr. Archibald, from the committee on Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "An Act to revise, renew, amend and extend the charter of the Lubec and Machias Railway Company."

Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

#### **Orders Of The Day**

On motion by Mr. Nickerson of Swanville, it was voted to take from the table an act providing for a tax upon gasoline and other products used in propelling motor vehicles, tabled by that gentleman yesterday; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the joint committee on taxation and ways and bridges.

On motion by Mr. Downing of Bangor, it was voted to take from the table An Act requiring an excise tax on gasoline, tabled by that gentleman yesterday; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the joint committee on taxation and ways and bridges.

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Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield: Mr. Speaker, I move that we adjourn until nine o'clock tomorrow morning, and I will say in explanation that the

Women's Federated Clubs of Maine are intending to hold a meeting here and want the use of the hall of the House tomorrow morning. I am sure that everybody will be glad to accommodate them by having our session at nine o'clock. This will give them the opportunity to use the hall. And ten o'clock in the morning would so break into their affairs that I think it would be better to adjourn to that earlier time.

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Adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.