

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SENATE

Wednesday, January 31, 1923.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mary L. Hadley of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Resolve appropriating money for further maintenance of the State Forest Nursery.

Resolve appropriating money for general forestry purposes.

Resolve appropriating money for salaries and clerk hire in the office of the land agent and forest commissioner.

Resolve appropriating money for the administration of public lands.

The PRESIDENT: These resolves were by the Senate referred to the committee on State lands and forest preservation. They come from the House, that branch non-concurring in the reference and referring the resolves to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Mr. BAILEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that the Senate insist upon its former action and ask for a committee of conference.

Mr. EMERY of Washington: Mr. President, I move that we recede and concur with the House.

The motion of the senator from Washington, Senator Emery, taking precedence, a viva voce vote was had, and the Chair being in doubt a rising vote was taken. Eight senators voting in favor of the motion and 11 opposed the motion to recede and concur was lost.

The question then recurring upon the motion of the senator from Penobscot, Senator Bailey, that the Senate insist and ask for a committee of conference, the motion was adopted, and the Chair announced that the committee on the part of the Senate would be appointed later.

From the House: The committee of conference on An Act relating to the taxation of shares of stock of trust companies organized under the laws of this State, and of banking institutions formed under the laws of the United States, and repealing Chapter 197, Public Laws of 1921 (Senate Doc. No. 3), reported that the bill be referred to

the committees on banks and banking and taxation, jointly.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate will remember that this bill was referred by the Senate to the committee on banks and banking, and by the House to the committee on taxation.

The report was accepted.

On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, the report and bill were tabled pending reference.

### Communications from the Executive and Heads of Departments

State of Maine,  
Office of the Governor

Augusta, January 29th, 1923.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:—

On Wednesday, January 24th, I sent a message to your honorable bodies stating that arrangements were being made for the purchase and distribution of the 600 tons of anthracite coal stored in Portland, Maine, and further stating that I hoped it would not be necessary to seize this coal as I considered such action would constitute a dangerous and unfortunate precedent.

I am glad to report to you that I have received the following telegram from Fuel Director Andrew P. Lane dated Portland, January 26th:—

"Schipper Bros. (owners of the coal) in Portland today. After consulting with me they have sold the entire lot of coal in the Portland Coal Co. yards to Deering Coal & Wood Co. at prices so that it can be sold to the people of Portland at the regular going rates which are satisfactory to me."

The distribution of this coal has already been undertaken. I should have reported to you on Friday, the 26th, but the above telegram came to me a few moments after the Legislature adjourned.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Percival P. Baxter,  
Governor of Maine.

Read and placed on file in concurrence.

State of Maine  
Office of the Secretary of State  
Augusta, January 30, 1923.

To the President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Under the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Chapter 10, Section 71, I have the honor to herewith transmit the county estimates for the years 1923 and 1924 of the several counties of the

State of Maine, which have been filed with the secretary of State.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Edgar C. Smith,  
Deputy Secretary of State.

Read and referred with accompanying papers to the committee on counties.

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

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

By Mr. Clark of Lincoln: Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison for maintenance and current expenses.

By the same senator: Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison at Thomaston for the repair of outside buildings.

By the same senator: Resolve providing for the completion of the new cell block of the Maine State Prison at Thomaston.

#### **Education**

By Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec: Resolve to appropriate money for the maintenance of Oak Grove Seminary in Vassalboro.

#### **Salaries and Fees**

By Mr. Morneau of Androscoggin: An Act to amend Section 43 of Chap-

ter 117 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the salary of the Register of deeds for the county of Androscoggin.

By the same senator: An Act to amend the second paragraph of Section 45 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 153 of the Public Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to clerk hire in the Androscoggin county registry of deeds.

By Mr. Phillips of Hancock: An Act to establish a ferry across Somes Sound between Southwest Harbor and Northeast Harbor.

#### **Orders of the Day**

On motion by Mr. Putnam of Washington, under suspension of the rules, that senator introduced the remonstrance of Robert A. Davis and 28 others against An Act making it unlawful to use corn or bait of any kind or contrivance, other than decoy birds, to entice game birds of any variety within shooting distance, and on further motion by the same senator the same was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

On motion by Mr. Emery of Washington

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.