

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

Wednesday, February 21, 1923.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. R. W. D. Smith of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

(Senator Hinekley in the Chair).

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine authorizing the conservation, storage and control of the waters within the State. (S. D. 107).

In the Senate this resolve was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

In the House the resolve was referred to the committees on judiciary and interior waters, jointly, in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Brewster of Cumberland, tabled pending further action.

House Bills in First Reading

House 103. 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.

House 105. An Act to legalize oaths administered by Fred A. Torrey of Stonington in the county of Hancock.

House 106. An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 38, Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921, increasing the salary of the judge of probate of Sagadahoc county.

House 102. Resolve in favor of Thomas A. Sanders, secretary to committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

House 104. Resolve in favor of Edward Gagne, secretary of the committee for School for Feeble Minded.

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

Cole Report

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland: An Act to amend Sections 19, 22 and 23 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, and Sections 28, 30 and 33 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to corporations. (500 copies ordered printed).

Education

By Mr. Allen of York: An Act to

establish a teachers' retirement system. (1000 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Speirs of Cumberland: An Act to amend Section 169 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to teachers' pensions. (500 copies ordered printed).

Judiciary

By Mr. Spencer of York: An Act relating to passengers in motor vehicles operated by persons under the influence of intoxicating liquors. (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Putnam of Washington: Remonstrance of J. P. Alley of Jonesport and 274 others against the passage of the act entitled "An Act authorizing the town of Jonesport to raise and appropriate money to pay expenses of the hearing before the legislature of 1921 relative to division of said town." (500 copies ordered printed).

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Sargent of Hancock: Remonstrance of Howard Staples and 26 others of Swan's Island against changing sea and shore fisheries commission to a one man commission.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland: An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 121 of the Laws of 1919, relating to the recording of chattel mortgages. (500 copies ordered printed).

By the same senator: An Act to provide for the recording of leases and assignments or discharges of mortgages. (500 copies ordered printed).

Bills in First Reading

S. 108. An Act providing for a jewelers lien.

S. 109. An Act to amend Chapter 163, S. L. 1913, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Jonesport and Addison in Washington county.

S. 110. An Act to amend Chapter 172, S. L. 1899, relating to a close time on lobsters in Pigeon Hill Bay in the towns of Milbridge and Steuben.

S. 111. An Act to amend Chapter 121, S. L. 1915, as amended by Chapter 89, S. L. 1917, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Machias Bay and adjacent waters, in the county of Washington.

S. 112. An Act to amend Chapter 380, Special Laws 1909, as amended by Chapter 84, Special Laws 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the bays of the towns of Gouldsboro, Eden, Trenton, Lamoine, Hancock, Sullivan and Sorrento.

S. 113. An Act to amend Chapter 122, S. L. 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Jonesboro and Roque Bluffs in Washington county.

S. 114. An Act to amend Chapter 172, S. L. 1899 and amended by Chapter 259 S. L. of 1903, relating to a close time on lobster traps in the waters of Pigeon Hill Bay.

S. 115. An Act to amend Chapter 154, Special Laws 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the towns of Cutler, Trescott and Lubec, in Washington county.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Sargent from the committee on sea and shore fisheries on An Act to amend Chapter 85, S. L. 1915 as amended by Chapter 181, S. L. 1917 relating to a close time on lobsters in certain waters of Hancock county, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on State lands and forest preservation, on An Act to amend Section 29 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1921, providing for the appointment of forest fire wardens in towns, reported same in a new draft, under same title, and that same be printed and re-committed to the committee.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Engrossed

S. 101. An Act to amend Section 58 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 5 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to forest fire signs.

S. 102. Resolve in favor of the Maine State prison for maintenance and current expenses.

Passed to be Enacted

An Act to amend the Charter of the city of Brewer.

An Act to establish the Kennebunk municipal court.

An Act to amend Section 72 of Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the penalty for reckless driving, going away without stopping after an accident, and using motor vehicles without authority.

An Act to amend Section 89 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the dissolution of corporations.

An Act to amend the charter of the Dover and Foxcroft Water District.

An Act relating to pensioning mem-

bers of the police department of the city of Brewer.

An Act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relating to building of camp fires.

An Act to amend Chapter 128 of the Private and Special Laws of 1921, amending Chapter 103 of the Private and Special Laws of 1919, amending Chapter 444 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, relating to clerk hire in the Lewiston municipal court.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 216 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to the incorporation of Parsonsfield Kezar Falls Village Corporation.

An Act to validate the incorporation of the Bath City Hospital.

Finally Passed

Resolve appropriating money to reimburse the town of Alfred for part of cost of bridge.

Resolve in favor of Dr. Charles E. Johnson of Princeton.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Aroostook, S. 22, An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 83 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to forest fire fighters in the Maine forestry District, was taken from the table.

On further motions by the same senator the bill was passed to be engrossed and passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec, under suspension of the rules that senator presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, whereas it is the opinion of the 81st Legislature that had it not been for fuel director, Andrew P. Lane, the citizens of Maine would have been subjected to severe hardship and would have been obliged to pay excessive prices for their fuel, and that in addition thereto many of the industries of the State would have been closed,

Now therefore, the House concurring, the 81st Legislature tenders its thanks to Mr. Lane for the unselfish and efficient service he has rendered to the citizens and industries of the State.

Passed and sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Morneau of Androscoggin,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.