

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Thursday, Jan. 29, 1925.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Megert of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill, an act to amend Chapter 195 of the Public Laws of 1917, relative to the powers of prison commissioners. (S. P. No. 41) (S. D. No. 32)

In the Senate referred to the committee on Judiciary.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Thompson of Rockland, tabled pending reference.

From the Senate: Bill, an act to enlarge the powers of the State Highway Police and to authorize the Governor and Council to appoint said Police and direct them in the performance of their duties. (S. P. No. 42) (S. D. No. 33).

In the Senate referred to the committee on Judiciary.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Littlefield of Kennebunk, tabled pending reference.

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

Agriculture

By Mr. Towle of Winthrop: An Act entitled "An Act to Legalize the Sale of Cider which has been so treated as to prevent fermentation and which does not contain one-half of one per cent. of alcohol by volume". (H. P. No. 185)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Sturgis of Auburn: Resolve increasing the State Aid provided for the Maine State Agricultural Society. (H. P. No. 243)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Leland of Sangerville: Resolve making appropriation for the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station for the purchase of additional land at Highmoor Farm. (H. P. No. 183)

By the same gentleman: Resolve to appropriate money for Co-operative Agricultural Work between the College of Agriculture of the University of Maine and the United States Department of Agriculture. (H. P. No. 184)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Smith of Bangor: Resolve appropriating money for the Good Samaritan Home Association in Bangor, Maine. (H. P. No. 186)

By Mr. Hamilton of Caribou: Resolve in favor of the Aroostook Test Laboratory for Salaries and Maintenance for years ending June 30, 1926 and June 30, 1927. (H. P. No. 231)

By Mr. Burnham of Kittery: Resolve in favor of Asbury M. Blake in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the contested election case from Lisbon, heard before the House Committee on Elections. (H. P. No. 187)

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Walter C. Winn in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the contested election case from Lisbon, heard before the House Election Committee. (H. P. No. 188)

Claims

By Mr. Briggs of Littleton: Resolve in favor of the town of Smyrna to reimburse the town for support of John Pomeroy. (H. P. No. 189)

By Mr. Johnson of Brownville: Resolve to reimburse the town of Abbot for money expended for support of paupers. (H. P. No. 190)

Education

By Mrs. Allen of Hampden: Resolve in favor of Hampden Academy, Hampden, Maine. (H. P. No. 239)

By Mr. Mears of Morrill: Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy for Heating Plant. (H. P. No. 240)

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy for Maintenance and Repair. (H. P. No. 241)

By Mr. Burnham of Kittery: Resolve in favor of Traip Academy in the town of Kittery. (H. P. No. 242)

By Mr. Davis of Portland: Resolve in favor of St. Joseph's Academy and College for Women, Deering, Maine. (H. P. No. 191)

Federal Relations

By Mr. Martin of Augusta: An Act to authorize the Filing by the United States in the several counties of this

State of Notices of Liens for Taxes. (H. P. No. 192)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Flint of Monson: An Act relating to the taking of smelts, suckers, bait fish, white fish and cusk. (H. P. No. 193)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An Act relating to the trapping of fur-bearing animals. (H. P. No. 194)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Piper of Jackman: An Act to close certain ponds in Somerset except to fly fishing certain times in year. (H. P. No. 235)

By Mr. Stone of Bridgton: An Act relating to the bounty on bob-cats. (H. P. No. 236)

By Mr. Dudley of Woodstock: An Act prohibiting the taking of muskrats in Bryant's Pond, or Lake Christopher, so-called in Woodstock, Oxford County. (H. P. No. 195)

By the same gentleman: An Act to permit fishing in Village Brook, a tributary to Bryant's Pond, or Lake Christopher, so-called, in the town of Woodstock, county of Oxford. (H. P. No. 196)

By Mr. Lunt of North Kennebunkport: An Act to regulate fishing in the brooks of York, York County, Maine. (H. P. No. 197)

By Mr. Dudley of Woodstock: An Act relating to fishing in Sunday River in Oxford County. (H. P. No. 198)

By the same gentleman: Petition of R. L. Foster and others, residents of Oxford County, in favor of same. (H. P. No. 199)

Interior Waters

By Mr. Dudley of Woodstock: An Act to change the name of Bryant Pond in Oxford County, to Lake Christopher. (H. P. No. 200)

Judiciary

By Mr. Roberts of Bar Harbor: An Act to provide for the improvement of navigation, the development of water power in the rivers and tidal waters of the State of Maine. (H. P. No. 202) (On motion by Mr. Piper of Jackman tabled pending reference)

By Mr. Curtis of Brewer: An Act to amend Sec. 7 of Chap. 117 of the Revised Statutes relating to Compensation of Active Retired Justices. (H. P. No. 203)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Martin of Augusta: An Act relating to Granting of Licenses for

operating Motor Vehicles. (H. P. No. 204)

By Mr. Hamilton of Caribou: An Act to amend an Act to amend Sections 11, 12 and 13 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to Primary Elections. (H. P. No. 234)

By Mr. Jones of South Portland: An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 147 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to the State Board of Charities and Corrections. (H. P. No. 205)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Martin of Augusta: Resolve authorizing Michael Burns to bring a suit at law against the State of Maine. (H. P. No. 201)

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Burnham of Kittery: An Act to prohibit the use of firearms by minors. (H. P. No. 233) (On motion by Mr. Eustis of Strong tabled pending reference)

Mercantile Affairs and Insurance

By Mr. Drake of Bath: An Act relating to annual statements of conditions of insurance companies, and providing a penalty for neglect to file such statements. (H. P. No. 206)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Maine Publicity

By Mr. Lamson of South Portland: Resolve in favor of designation of a certain day in January of each year as "Potato Day." (H. P. No. 232)

Was referred to the Committee on Maine Publicity and sent up for concurrence.

(500 copies ordered printed)

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Thompson of Rockland: An Act to increase the salary for clerk hire in the office of Registry of Probate for Knox County. (H. P. No. 207).

By Mr. Dwinall of Camden: An Act relating to the salaries of county treasurers. (H. P. No. 237).

By the same gentleman: An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for Knox County. (H. P. No. 208).

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Snow of Brunswick: An Act relating to the taking of smelts in Casco Bay. (H. P. No. 209).

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: Petition of Dirigo Fish Company and 11 others in favor of same. (H. P. No. 238).

By the same gentleman: Petition of Philip G. Freeman and 105 others in favor of same. (H. P. No. 210).

Taxation

By Mr. Martin of Augusta: An Act to amend Section 27 of the Revised Statutes relating to the excise tax on Railroads. (H. P. No. 211).

(2000 copies ordered printed)

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Eustis of Strong: Resolve in favor of road in Washington Plantation. (H. P. No. 212).

By Mr. Friend of Etna: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Carmel. (H. P. No. 213).

By Mr. Stitham of Pittsfield: Resolve in favor of the town of Palmyra for repair of road. (H. P. No. 214).

By Mr. Lunt of No. Kennebunkport: Resolve appropriating money to aid in grading and surfacing with gravel a highway in the town of York. (H. P. No. 215).

By Mr. Crockett of Hollis: Resolve in favor of the town of Dayton for road construction. (H. P. No. 216).

By Mr. Ham of Wales: Resolve in favor of the town of Greene for building of a road on a Star Mail Route. (H. P. No. 217).

By Mr. Brown of Waterford: Resolve in favor of the town of Norway for re-surfacing and general repair of the "Lake Road" in said town. (H. P. No. 218).

By Mr. Brown of Waterford: Resolve in favor of the town of Waterford for construction and repair of road from Bridgton to South Waterford. (H. P. No. 219).

By Mr. Comins of Eddington: Resolve appropriating money for roads in town of Eddington. (H. P. No. 220).

By Mr. Mears of Morrill: Resolve in favor of road in town of Sears-mont. (H. P. No. 221).

By Mr. Comins of Eddington: Resolve appropriating money for road around Chicks Hill in the town of Clifton. (H. P. No. 222).

By Mr. Pullen of Danforth: Resolve in favor of a bridge over the St. Croix River between Vanceboro, Maine, and St. Croix, New Brunswick. (H. P. No. 223).

By Mr. Marden of Waldo: Resolve in favor of town of Unity for a Road. (H. P. No. 224).

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of town of Monroe for a road. (H. P. No. 225).

By the same gentleman: Resolve

in favor of town of Brooks for a road. (H. P. No. 226).

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of town of Thorndike for a road. (H. P. No. 227).

By Mr. Harrington of Durham: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the completion of a road in the town of Durham. (H. P. No. 228).

By Mr. Mears of Morrill: Resolve in favor of the town of Freedom for road repair. (H. P. No. 229).

By Mr. White of Bowdoinham: Resolve in favor of the town of Bowdoinham. (H. P. No. 230).

ORDERS

On motion by Mr. Nichols of Portland, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House be granted immediately after this session for the purpose of listening to J. A. L. Waddell, the engineer of the Bath and Woolwich Kennebec bridge.

On motion by Mr. Nichols of Portland, it was

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the State Librarian furnish to each of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives one copy of the book "Maine Forts".

On motion by Mr. Roberts of Bar Harbor, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to H. W. Gleason, steropticon lecturer for a lecture to be delivered on Wednesday, February 4th, evening, on Lafayette National Park.

Mr. Kinsman of Augusta presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House be granted for the evening of Wednesday, February 4th, for the Maine Development Association.

On motion by Mr. Martin of Augusta tabled pending passage.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Beckett, from the committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill, "An Act to confer certain additional powers upon the municipal officers of cities and towns."

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Same gentleman from same com-

mittee reported "ought to pass" on bill, "An Act to incorporate the city of Brewer High School District." (H. P. No. 17), (H. D. No. 8).

(The rules were suspended and the bill, was given its two several readings).

Recess After Recess

Paper from the Senate, out of order, under suspension of the rules.

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Monday, February 2nd, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

In the Senate read and passed, In the House passed in concurrence.

Additional papers from the Senate, out of order, under suspension of the rules, received and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on resolve in favor of George H. Chick (S. P. No. 28) reporting that the same "ought to pass".

In the Senate, report read and accepted, the resolve read twice under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed.

In the House, report read and accepted, and the resolve had its two several readings, under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate of the 81st Legislature for services at the organization of the 82nd Legislature (S. P. No. 13).

In the Senate report read and accepted, and the resolve was read twice under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed.

In the House, report read and accepted, and the resolve had its two several readings, under suspension of the rules, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reception of a petition and bills out of order under suspension of the rules.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Wheeler of South Paris: Petition to close Greeley Brook and Lombard Brook in the county of Oxford. (H. P. No. 244).

By the same gentleman: An Act in relation to close season on black bass and white perch. (H. P. No. 245).

By Mr. Hamilton of Caribou: An Act to amend Section 2, 5 and 6 of Chapter 224 of the Public Laws of 1923, relating to a tax upon gasoline. (H. P. No. 246).

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On motion by Mr. Deering of Saco. Adjourned until 4.30 o'clock P. M. Monday afternoon, February 2.