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SENATE

Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1925.

Senate called to order by the president.

Prayer by the Rev. W. P. Bradford of Hallowell.

Journal of Thursday, February 5, read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act relating to driving motor vehicles while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs. (H. P. 412.) (H. D. 85.)

In the House this was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

In the Senate, this was referred in concurrence.

Mr. MAHER of Kennebec: Mr. President, may I ask by whom this bill was introduced?

The PRESIDENT: By Mr. Curtis of Brewer.

Mr. MAHER: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we referred this bill to the committee on judiciary.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same Senator the matter was tabled.

From the House: Resolve providing for the appointment of one or more persons to represent the State in certain proposed changes in freight rates affecting the people of the State. (H. P. 247.) (H. D. 76.)

In the House, referred to the committee on public utilities.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to increase the salary of the register of deeds for Knox County. (H. P. 415.)

In the House, referred to the committee on salaries and fees.

In the Senate, referred in concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. Walker of Knox the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred in concurrence, and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was tabled pending reference.

From the House: An Act relating to fees for the registration of vehi-

cles relating to the transportation of school children.

In the House, referred to the committee on judiciary.

In the Senate referred in concurrence.

Subsequently on motion by Mr. Speirs of Cumberland, the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred in concurrence, and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was tabled pending reference.

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

Agriculture

By Mr. Wilson of Aroostook, An Act to repeal Section 21 of Chapter 34 of the Revised Statutes relating to the use of the score card system by agricultural societies in the judging of dairy products. (S. P. 127.)

By the same Senator, An Act to amend Chapter 62 of the Public Laws of 1923, relating to the production and sale of certified seed. (S. P. 128.)

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Education

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland, Resolve, in favor of Louise D. Mayhew of Mount Vernon in lieu of teachers pension. (S. P. 129.)

Insane Hospitals

By Mr. Chalmers of Penobscot, Resolve, appropriating money for the construction of a sewer main for the Bangor State Hospital. (S. P. 130.)

Judiciary

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland, An Act requiring owners of certain motor vehicles and trailers to furnish security for their civil liability on account of personal injuries and property damage caused by their motor vehicles and trailers. (S. P. 131.)

(2000 copies ordered printed.)

(Subsequently, on motion by Mr. Cram of Cumberland the vote was reconsidered whereby this was referred to the committee on judiciary, and on further motion by the same Senator, it was tabled pending reference.)

By Mr. Maher of Kennebec, Resolve, in favor of Earl G. Holbrook

for damages sustained in accident on State aid highway, (S. P. 132.)

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Case of Washington, An Act to amend Sections 3 and 18 of Chapter 113 of the Private and Special Laws of 1921, relating to West Washington Municipal Court. (S. P. 133)

(Subsequently on motion by Mr. Case of Washington the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred to the committee on legal affairs, and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was tabled pending reference.)

By Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, An Act to provide for an assistant County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin.

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Library

By Mr. Barwise of Penobscot, An Act to amend the law relating to municipal aid for public libraries. (S. P. 135)

Pensions

By Mr. Maher of Kennebec, Resolve, for state pension in favor of Rena Cooley. (S. P. 136)

By Mr. Case of Washington, Resolve, in favor of Beatrice M. Holmes, for state aid. (S. P. 137)

(Subsequently on motion by Mr. Case of Washington, the vote was reconsidered whereby this bill was referred to the committee on pensions, and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the committee on claims.)

Public Buildings and Grounds

By Mr. Maher of Kennebec, Resolve, in favor of the State Park Commission. (S. P. 138)

Public Health

By Mr. Phillips of Hancock, An Act to amend Chapter 197, Section 8, Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 217, Laws of 1919, relating to appropriations of the State Department of Health. (S. P. 139)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same Senator, An Act to accept the provisions of the Act of the Congress of the United States, approved November 23, 1921, entitled an Act for the promotion of the Welfare and Hygiene of Maternity and Infancy and for Other Purposes. (S. P. 140)

(1000 copies ordered printed.)

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Barwise of Penobscot, An Act to amend the law relating to the

salary of the Librarian of the Maine State Library. (S. P. 141)

State Prisons

By Mr. Walker of Knox, Resolve, in favor of Lester D. Eaton, Warden of the State Prison. (S. P. 142)

Taxation

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland, An Act to amend Section 32 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes of Maine relating to the excise tax on railroads. (S. P. 143)

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Bond of Lincoln, Resolve, for repair of road in the town of Waldoboro. (S. P. 144)

By Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, Resolve, in aid of the repairing of a road in Little Squaw Mountain Township. (S. P. 145)

By Mr. Case of Washington, Resolve, in favor of the town of Harrington to aid in repairing a road. (S. P. 146)

By the same Senator, Resolve, in favor of the town of Millbridge to aid in repairing a road. (S. P. 147)

Mr. SPEIRS of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we referred H. D. 86 to the committee on judiciary.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Maher of Kennebec: Mr. President, may we have the title of the bill?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Kennebec asks for the title of the bill.

Mr. SPEIRS: Mr. President, it is an Act relating to registration of motor vehicles of non-residents, and fees of residents. (H. P. 413) (H. D. 86)

I now move that the bill be tabled. The motion was agreed to.

Mr. MAHER of Kennebec: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we referred the Resolve in favor of the State Park Commission to the committee on public buildings and grounds.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

Bills in First Reading

An Act ratifying transfer of land from State of Maine to Trustees of Gorham Academy in the County of Cumberland, and from Trustees of

Gorham Academy in the County of Cumberland to State of Maine. (S. P. 35) (S. D. 51)

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 260 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1921, increasing the salary of the stenographer of the Androscoggin Superior Court. (S. P. 8) (S. D. 45)

An Act to increase the salaries of County Commissioners for Cumberland County. (S. P. 44) (S. D. 46)

An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1917 and Chapter 198 of the Public Laws of 1919 and Chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the salary of Stenographer of Kennebec Superior Court. (S. P. 7) (S. D. 47)

Reports of Committees

Mr. Speirs, from the Committee on Education, on bill An Act to repeal an act entitled An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor School District (1923 Legis), reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Barwise, from the same Committee, on bill An Act to amend the charter of Portland Academy (1923 Legis), reported that the same ought not to pass.

The reports were read and accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

Mr. SMITH of Somerset: Mr. President, I move to take from the table the Constitutional amendment relating to child labor.

The motion was agreed to and the Senator then yielded to the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Maher.

Mr. MAHER of Kennebec: Mr. President, if it is in order, I would move the reference of the Constitutional amendment to the committee on labor. From the title of the amendment itself and the very nature of the thing, it would appar-

ently be the appropriate and proper committee.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. SMITH of Somerset: Mr. President, I now move that we take from the table S. P. No. 121, Resolve ratifying the proposed child labor amendment.

The motion was agreed to, and the Senator then yielded to the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Maher.

Mr. MAHER of Kennebec: Mr. President, inasmuch as this is an affirmative resolution, proposing to ratify the constitutional amendment before referred to—I think that that is the appropriate and proper way to handle a Federal Constitutional amendment, and not by the way of negative refusal—and understanding that there is pending elsewhere a negative proposition, it seems to me that this should be referred also, in conjunction with the Constitutional amendment itself, to the same committee in order to avoid confusion. I move that it be referred to the committee on labor.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. CARTER of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I now move that we take from the table Senate Paper No. 125, Resolve rejecting the proposed child labor amendment

The motion was agreed to, and the Senator then yielded to the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Maher.

Mr. MAHER of Kennebec: Mr. President. This is evidently the negative resolve which I had in my mind and thought was elsewhere. I think that this, in company with the affirmative resolve and the amendment itself, should be referred to the committee on labor, and so move.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.