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SENATE

Tuesday, February 24, 1925.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Charles H. Atkins of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that all corporations engaged in transportation business, whether of individuals or of property or both, which have or shall, make application for reduction of taxes and whether such application be made by corporations known as railroad or railway companies, be, and the same are, hereby required to furnish to this legislature an account in detail to the following effect: The salaries paid to each and all the officials thereof; also the average wage paid per day to its engineers, firemen and other employees, the same to be shown when grouped into the several departments of the company, all of the foregoing to be shown for the year nineteen hundred twenty-four. (H. P. 180).

Came from the House, having failed to receive a passage in that body.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Allen of York, indefinitely postponed.

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

Commerce

By Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec, Resolution of Winthrop Grange favoring Harriman bill opposing daylight saving (S. P. 326); Protest of Cascade Grange No. 92, against Daylight Savings time, favoring the Harriman bill in regard to Daylight Savings time. (S. P. 327).

Education

By Mr. Hussey of Aroostook, An Act to amend Section 3 of the Public Laws of 1923, relating to retiring and pensioning State employees. (S. P. 316).

Public Utilities

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland, An Act relating to the supervision, regulation and conduct of the transportation of persons over the public highways of the State of Maine by automobiles, jitney busses and auto stages by the Public Utilities Commission, and to provide for the furnishing of security for civil liability on account of personal injuries and property damage caused by same. (S. P. 317).

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sea And Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Walker of Knox, Remonstrance of George C. Carr and 42 others of Spruce Head against the passage of the so-called Lamson Bill, regarding the measurement of lobsters. (S. P. 318).

By Mr. Miner of Washington, Remonstrance of C. A. Deering and 53 others of Harpswell against the passage of the so-called Lamson Bill, regarding the measurement of lobsters. (S. P. 319).

By Mr. Phillips of Hancock, Remonstrance of Leeman Davis and 24 others of Frenchboro. (S. P. 320).

By Mr. Walker of Knox, Remonstrance of P. A. Trask and 27 others of St. George (S. P. 321); Remonstrance of O. D. Stanley and 26 others of Martinsville (S. P. 322); Remonstrance of J. W. Coffin and 33 others of St. George (S. P. 323); Remonstrance of C. F. Coombs and 42 others of Stonington (S. P. 324), against any change in the present Sea and Shore Fisheries Commission.

Ways and Bridges and Taxation

By Mr. Walker of Knox, Remonstrance of L. B. Torrey and 37 others of Tenants Harbor (S. P. 325), against any increase in the gasoline tax without exemptions to fishermen.

By Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec, Resolution from Cascade Grange No. 92 favoring three cent gas tax. (S. P. 328).

Ways and Bridges

By the same Senator, Resolution of Winthrop Grange favoring a moderate bond issue for highway construction. (S. P. 329).

Reports of Committees

Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Judiciary, on An Act relative to motor vehicles and the law of the road (S. P. 39) (S. D. 30), reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Hussey, from the same Committee, on An Act to protect and conserve the estates of absentees. (S. P. 122) (S. D. 50), reported that

the same ought not to pass, as similar legislation is now pending, having been reported by Committee on Legal Affairs. The reports were read and accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Judiciary, on An Act to extend the charter of the Patten Water and Power Company, (S. P. 113), reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Case, from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, on An Act relating to close time on lobsters in the towns of Cutler, Trescott and Lubec, in Washington County, (S. P. 46), reported that the same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the bills tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed To Be Engrossed

An Act to extend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad (S. P. 22) (S. D. 16).

An Act to prohibit plug fishing on Peabody Pond, in the county of Cumberland (S. P. 77) (S. D. 92).

Resolve memorializing Congress in the interest of National Defense (S. P. 289) (S. D. 100).

Orders Of The Day

The President laid before the Senate bill, An Act relating to limitation of right to enter on or take land (H. P. 707) (H. D. 150), which was recalled from the Judiciary committee by Senate order, and recognized the senator from Androscoggin, Senator Carter.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. President, during the recess of this week end I had opportunity to inform myself as to the questions that were bothersome, and now move that the bill be recommitted to the committee on judiciary in concurrence with the House.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was recommitted.

On motion by Mr. Allen of York H. D. 124, An Act to regulate fishing in the brooks of York, York county, Maine, was taken from table.

On further motion by the same senator the bill was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin H. D. 16, An Act to amend the charter of Kennebec Log Driving Company as amended by Chapter 402 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, and further amended by Chapter 13 and Chapter 14 of the Private and

Special Laws of 1917, and by Chapter 2 of the Private and Special Laws of 1921, was taken from the table.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. President, having received from the clerk of the committee a printed record of their annual meeting in support of this bill and the votes passed at the same time, I now move that this bill be passed to be enacted.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland H. D. 138, An Act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the registration and licensing of dogs, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same Senator referred to the committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, S. P. 291, An Act relative to hunting and fishing was taken from the table.

The senator then yielded to the senator from York, Senator Roberts.

On motion by Mr. Roberts of York, the bill was referred to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

The PRESIDENT: Is it possible for us to expedite the matters of this Legislature any more this morning?

On motion by Mr. Case of Washington, H. D. 125, An Act relating to taking of smelts in Casco Bay was taken from the table.

Mr. CASE: Mr. President, I now move to recommit this bill to the committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries. I will say that I do this in order to make some changes that the proponents of the bill desire.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was so referred.

On motion by Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec, H. D. 160, An Act relating to the provisions for upkeep, equipment and extensions for the several normal schools and the Madawaska training school, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.