

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

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## SENATE

Thursday, February 26, 1925.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Langdon Quimby of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend section 127 of chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, relating to affidavits of plaintiffs being received as prima facie evidence. (H. D. 224).

In the House, referred to the committee on judiciary.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Powers of Aroostook, tabled.

From the House: An Act relating to warning signs at grade crossings.

In the House, referred to the committee on judiciary.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, tabled.

From the House: An Act relative to the parole of women committee to the reformatory for women. (H. D. 225).

In the House, referred to the committee on judiciary.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, tabled.

From the House: An Act to raise an excise tax on corporations organized for making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying electricity or electric current for power, lighting, heating, manufacturing or mechanical purposes. (H. D. 217).

In the House, referred to the committee on taxation.

In the Senate, tabled on motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland.

### House Bills in First Reading

Resolve, making appropriation for the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station for the purchase of additional land at Highmoor Farm. (H. D. 189).

(Tabled on motion by Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec pending first reading)

An Act to repeal the bounty on bears. (H. D. 197).

An Act to amend the charter of

the city of South Portland. (H. D. 205).

An Act authorizing the Judge of the Portland Municipal Court to fix the time for holding criminal sessions. (H. D. 204).

An Act relative to the Bangor Public Library. (H. D. 206).

An Act with reference to the penalty under the act relating to desertion and non-support, when the offense is not of a high and aggravated nature. (H. D. 69).

An Act amending Chapter 204, Section 11 of the Public Laws of 1856, as amended, relating to the powers of the Recorder of the Portland Municipal Court. (H. D. 70).

An Act amending Section 81, of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to the terms of the Superior Court for the county of Cumberland. (H. D. 71).

An Act authorizing the Clerk of Courts of the County of Lincoln to act as Clerk of Lincoln Municipal Court. (H. D. 199).

An Act to renew the charter of the R. and T. Cement Railroad. (H. D. 200).

An Act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company. (H. D. 198).

An Act to establish close time on lobsters west of Petit Manan Point. (H. D. 201).

Communication from the Secretary of State.

### STATE OF MAINE

#### Office of Secretary of State

Augusta, Maine February 26, 1925.  
To the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled:

I have the honor to transmit herewith initiative petitions, filed in the office of the Secretary of State on February 24, 1925, proposing to the Legislature for its consideration, under the provisions of Article XXXI of the Constitution of Maine, the following bill:

An Act to Repeal Sections One to Thirty-six of Chapter Six of the Revised Statutes Relative to Primary Elections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MAINE AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1. Sections 1 to 36 inclusive, of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto, relating to nomination of candidates for office by primary elections, are hereby repealed.

Article II. All nominations of candidates for any and all state or county offices, including United States Senator, member of Congress, and member of the state legislature shall hereafter be made at and by party caucuses and conventions, in the same manner as nominations were made prior to the passage of Chapter 199 of the Public Laws of 1911 and Chapter 221 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Said petitions purporting to bear signatures aggregating more than 12,000 electors.

Respectfully,  
(Signed) FRANK W. BALL,  
Secretary of State.

The communication was read, and on motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, was referred, together with the accompanying papers, to the committee on judiciary.

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

#### Judiciary

By Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, remonstrance of L. A. Jack and 25 others of Lewiston and vicinity (S. P. 345); remonstrance of Hattie F. Howard and 25 others of Lewiston and vicinity (S. P. 346), against repeal in any manner of our present direct primary law.

By Mr. Lane of Androscoggin, An Act to create a State Athletic Commission for the supervision and regulation of boxing and wrestling (S. P. 347).

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland, An Act providing for the attesting of records of city and town clerks by volume. (S. P. 348).

(500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, An Act relative to inciting, inducing, or persuading another to commit crime (S. P. 349).

(1000 copies ordered printed)

#### Taxation

By Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, An Act relating to the taxation of auto transportation companies (S. P. 350).

(1000 copies ordered printed.)

#### Orders

On motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, it was

Ordered, that there be printed, for the use of the Legislature, 500 additional copies of Senate Document No.

85, An Act to prevent illegal interference with the business of another.

#### Bills in First Reading

An Act relating to hunting in certain specified localities in the State of Maine. (H. D. 121).

An Act to regulate fishing in certain ponds in Somerset County (H. D. 123).

(On motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, tabled pending first reading.)

An Act pertaining to the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the City of Westbrook (S. D. 121).

#### Reports of Committees

Mr. Crafts, from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on An Act prohibiting ice fishing in Kennebunk Pond in the county of York (S. P. 111), reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill tabled for printing under the joint rules.

The Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature, on An Act relating to fees for the registration of vehicles relating to the transportation of school children (H. D. 74), reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House in its reference of said bill to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was accepted.

#### Passed To Be Engrossed

An Act to authorize the filing by the United States in the several counties of this State notices of Liens for Taxes (H. D. 34).

An Act to incorporate the Bay Point Village Corporation (H. D. 177).

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and seventy-four of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, known as the Military Law (H. D. 188).

Resolve, appropriating money for the control and suppression of the European Corn Borer (H. D. 190).

Resolve, to appropriate money for the Maine Seed Improvement Association (H. D. 191).

An Act to amend the charter of the Dover and Foxcroft Water District. (H. D. 178).

Resolve transferring the income from the Carleton Orchard Fund to the College of Agriculture of the University of Maine (H. D. 192).

An Act relating to close time on lobsters in the towns of Cutter, Tres-

cott and Lubec, in Washington county (S. D. 118).

An Act to extend the charter of the Patten Water & Power Company (S. D. 117).

#### Passed To Be Enacted

An Act providing for protection of moose (H. P. 261) (H. D. 127).

(On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, tabled pending passage to be enacted). (Emergency measure). An Act to regulate fishing in Bog Brook, so-called, in Oxford and Androscoggin counties (H. P. 156) (H. D. 128).

An Act to authorize the State Highway Commission to co-operate with the Bureau of Public Roads of the United States Department of Agriculture in numbering and marking roads of interstate character (S. P. 33) (S. D. 25).

An Act relating to ice fishing in Moose Hill Pond in the town of East Livermore in the county of Androscoggin (H. P. 673) (H. D. 126).

An Act to change the name of Pleasant Pond in the towns of Whitefield and Jefferson to Clary Lake (S. P. 16) (S. D. 84).

An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the preparation and publishing of an annual list of corporations delinquent in payment of their franchise taxes (S. P. 18) (S. D. 12).

#### Finally Passed

Resolve in favor of animal husbandry (H. P. 88) (H. D. 22).

(On motion by Mr. Holley of Somerset, tabled pending final passage).

Resolve in favor of Highmoor Farm in the town of Monmouth (H. P. 87) (H. D. 21).

(On motion by Mr. Holley of Somerset, tabled pending final passage).

Resolve providing for the expenses of the contest over the election as representative to the Legislature from the town of Lisbon (H. P. 669) (H. D. 129).

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to reconsider the vote whereby the bill relating to excise tax on motor busses and companies operating them was referred to the committee on taxation (S. P. 350), and on further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled pending reference.

Mr. ALLEN of York: Mr. President, there was passed through the Senate this morning and sent to the committee on Salaries and Fees a bill relating to the salary of the County Attorney of York county. I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we sent this bill to the committee on Salaries and Fees.

The motion was agreed to and on further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled pending reference.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, the Senate voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby it voted to insist and appoint a committee of conference on resolve to reject the proposed 20th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, being the Child Labor Law, so-called (H. D. 61), and on further motion by the same senator the resolve was referred to the committee on Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Wadsworth of Kennebec, H. P. 731, An Act in relation to State funds for charity patients in public and private hospitals, was taken from the table.

The same senator then moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Maher of Kennebec, retabled until tomorrow morning.

On motion by Mr. Holley of Somerset,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.