

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

Tuesday, February, 26, 1929.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. F. S. Walker of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

House Bills in First Reading

Resolve in favor of Fred A. Budge of Mattawamkeag (H. D. 413).

An act relative to examination papers of applicants for admission to the bar (H. D. 368).

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

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Spear of Cumberland: An Act to provide that the Governor and Council shall fix the salary of the Secretary of the Department of Public Welfare (S. P. 565).

(500 copies ordered printed).
Sent down for concurrence.

Education

By Mr. Crockett of York: An Act relating to state aid to academies (S. P. 566).

By Mrs. Pinkham of Aroostook: An Act to amend section 98 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes on state aid to academies. (S. P. 567).

(500 copies of each ordered printed).

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Mitchell of Aroostook: petition asking repeal of chapter 27 of the public laws of 1925, which prohibits fishing in the tributaries of St. Croix Lake. (S. P. 568).

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

By Mr. Leland of Piscataquis: An act relating to motor vehicle laws (S. P. 569)

By Mr. Martin of Kennebec: An act to amend section 12 of Chap-

ter 78 of the Revised Statutes relative to conveyances. (S. P. 570)
(500 copies of each ordered printed).

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Crosby of Penobscot: An Act with reference to the Attorney General and to the arrest and apprehension of criminals. (S. P. 571)
(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

By Mr. Harriman of Kennebec: remonstrance of O. H. Miller, Hinckley, Maine, and 22 others against the levying of any additional gasoline tax. (S. P. 572)

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Douglas of Hancock, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that bill "An Act to protect muskrats in the town of Orrington, in the County of Penobscot" (H. P. 235) (H. D. 76) be recalled from the Governor for further consideration.

Sent down for concurrence.

Additional papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Bills in First Reading

An Act to incorporate the Big Black River Dam Company (S. D. 218).

An Act making it unlawful to fish for smelts in certain parts of Washington and Hancock Counties. (S. D. 226)

An Act relating to the digging of clams in the town of Wells. (S. D. 227)

Reports of Committees

Mr. Noyes, from the Committee on Pensions, on Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Annie M. Welch of Kennebunk. (S. P. 315) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, on Resolve in favor of the G. A. R. Cemetery Association

of Lewiston (S. P. 260) reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted and the resolve laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Oakes, from the Committee on Judiciary, on bill An act additional to the chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of South Portland" (S. D. 112) reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, the rules were suspended and the bill given its two several readings, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Noyes, from the Committee on Pensions, on Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Perley A. Haskell of Augusta (S. P. 316) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on Resolve in favor of Rena Cooley (S. P. 317) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Annie M. Welch of Kennebunk, (S. P. 235) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on Resolve providing for a state pension for Henry W. Boynton of Jefferson (S. P. 234) reported the same in a new draft, under the same title (S. P. 573) and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the Committee on Salaries and Fees on bill An Act relating to clerk for hire in the office of Register of Deeds for Knox County (S. P. 11) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate of Kennebec County (S. P. 62) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill An Act relating to the salary of the Adjutant General (S. P. 64) reported that the same ought to pass.

The reports were severally read and accepted, and the bills and resolves laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to be Engrossed

An Act relating to the regulation of the practice of the system, method or science of healing known as Osteopathy (H. D. 358)

An Act relating to rules of construction; signatures. (H. D. 394).

An Act relating to rules of construction; corporate seals (H. D. 395).

Resolve in favor of the town of Orono to assist in the support of pauper. (H. D. 396).

Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the University of Maine (S. D. 17).

An Act to change the name of Birch Island in Sebago Lake to Grey Boulder Island. (S. D. 217).

An Act relating to the location of ways crossing railroad tracks and station grounds (S. D. 117).

An Act providing for inspection, registration and safety of vessels engaged in inland navigation under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission (S. D. 146).

(On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, tabled pending passage to be engrossed.)

An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water and Sewer District. (S. D. 206).

An Act relating to appropriations for public and private hospitals (S. D. 216)

Resolve providing for an honorarium for Otis O. Roberts of Dexter. (S. D. 215)

Orders of The Day

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve authorizing the Forest Commissioner to convey land to the Gould Electric Company (H. D. 383) tabled by that Senator on February 22nd pending passage to be engrossed; and the same Senator offered the following amendment and moved its adoption:—"Senate Amendment 'A' to House Document No. 383. After the word 'company' in the second line thereof add the words 'the right to flow about' and by inserting after the word 'company' in the title, the words 'the right to flow.'"

Mr. WEEKS of Somerset: Mr. President, in explanation of this amendment I might say that the Gould Electric Company at the

present time is in the act of constructing a dam across Squaw Pan Stream in Masardis in Aroostook County. The bill without the amendment provides that the state shall convey to the Gould Electric Company the title in fee simple of land on the public lot in Squaw Pan Lake which is being flowed. The amendment merely provides that the State shall convey, of course upon compensation, the right to flow and not the fee simple, which is the customary way of taking care of flowage matters.

The PRESIDENT: The question is on the adoption of the amendment. Is it the pleasure of the Senate that the amendment be adopted?

The amendment was adopted and the resolve as amended by Senate Amendment "A" was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act concerning guardianship of incompetent veterans and to make uniform the law with reference thereto (H. D. 364) tabled on February 22nd by that Senator pending second reading; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Greenleaf of Androscoggin the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby An act to incorporate the Sabattus Water and Sewer District (S. D. 206) was passed to be engrossed; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was laid upon the

table pending passage to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Murchie of Washington the Senate voted to take from the table An act relating to marriage licenses (S. D. 4) tabled on February 20th by that Senator pending second reading.

Mr. MURCHIE of Washington: Mr. President, I now move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary and I will say in explanation of that motion that some of the members of the Judiciary Committee are quite anxious to accomplish a desirable purpose in limiting the right of children under sixteen years of age to marry. The Senator from Somerset, Senator Weeks, believes that this may be accomplished without depriving the parents of any of their rights.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Murchie, moves that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion to recommit prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, the Senator voted to take from the table An act relating to trapping of fur-bearing animals (H. D. 59) tabled on February 20th by that Senator pending second reading; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mrs. Pinkham of Aroostook

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.