

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE**

Thursday, February 26, 1931.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. L. D. Porter of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

**House Bills in First Reading**

An act relating to the apportionment of state aid to agricultural societies. (H. P. 919, L. D. 397)

An act to amend the charter of the Livermore Falls Municipal Court. (H. P. 707, L. D. 720)

An act to increase the amount to be paid for clerk hire in the office of Register of Deeds, in the county of Cumberland. (H. P. 227, L. D. 718)

An act increasing the amount to be paid for clerk hire in the office of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Portland. (H. P. 1145, L. D. 722)

**Bills in First Reading**

An act relating to the State School for Girls. (S. P. 235) New Draft (S. P. 518, L. D. 762)

An act in favor of the State School for Boys. (S. P. 519, L. D. 763)

An act relating to the State School for Boys. (S. P. 520, L. D. 764)

An act relating to a state aid road in the town of Sangerville. (S. P. 341, L. D. 759)

An act to extend the rights, and privileges of the Sabattus Water and Sewer District. (S. P. 521, L. D. 765)

An act relating to salary of Superintendent of State School for Boys. (S. P. 770, L. D. 760)

**Committee Reports**

Mr. Murchie from the Committee on Judiciary on bill An act to incorporate the Knox Water District (S. P. 195, L. D. 158), with accompanying petitions; reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Weeks from the Committee on Judiciary on bill An act relating to examination of insane convicts (S. P. 268, L. D. 240); reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Small from the Committee on Pensions on "Resolve providing for a state pension for Beatrice E. Gilbert of Bar Harbor (S. P. 329); reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Resolve providing for a state pension for Bertha A. Dinslow of Searsmont (S. P. 284); reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on bill An act to authorize Edward B. Sawyer et al to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Chandler Bay in the town of Jonesport near Moose Lodge. (S. P. 153) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on bill An act to authorize Edward B. Sawyer et al to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Chandler Bay, in the town of Jonesport near Bar Island. (S. P. 152); reported that the same ought to pass.

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

**Passed to be Engrossed**

Resolve in favor of the town of Frankfort. (H. P. 49, L. D. 700)

Resolve in favor of the town of Stockton Springs. (H. P. 69, L. D. 698)

An act to amend the charter of the city of Portland. (H. P. 212, L. D. 122)

An act to amend the charter of the Big Black River Dam Company. (H. P. 571, L. D. 701)

An act to enlarge the powers of the Richardson Wharf Company. (H. P. 582, L. D. 702)

An act relating to the property of extinct or disbanded Universalist churches, parishes or societies. (H. P. 584, L. D. 704)

An act to amend the charter of the city of Saco. (H. P. 602, L. D. 205)

An act relating to liability for support of a pauper in the town of Gouldsboro. (H. P. 617, L. D. 703)

An act to authorize the city of South Portland to pass ordinances

to regulate cemeteries and burials. (H. P. 620, L. D. 705)

An act to legalize and make valid doings of the Cumberland Bar Association. (H. P. 1132, L. D. 707)

An act relating to whistles on railroad locomotives. (S. P. 368, L. D. 389)

An act to authorize York Harbor village to appropriate money to improve part of York river; also to appoint an Inspector of Buildings. (S. P. 509, L. D. 752)

Mr. CROSBY of Penobscot: Mr. President, for the purpose of correcting an error I move that this bill be recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The motion prevailed.

#### (Emergency Measure)

An act to authorize the Treasurer of State under the direction of the Governor and Council to issue bonds for State Highway construction and reconstruction for the calendar year nineteen hundred thirty one. (S. P. 254, L. D. 269)

(On motion by Mr. Foster of Hancock, tabled pending consideration.)

#### Passed to be Enacted

An act relating to definition of the term "Securities" in the Blue Sky Law. (S. P. 44, L. D. 25)

An act relating to enforcement of the Blue Sky Law. (H. P. 14, L. D. 28)

An act relating to fees paid by dealers in securities. (H. P. 16, L. D. 30)

An act relating to deductions from State School Fund. (H. P. 18, L. D. 31)

An act relating to School attendance. (H. P. 19, L. D. 32)

An act relating to the burning of brush, slash or blueberry land. (H. P. 669, L. D. 416)

#### Finally Passed

Resolve in favor of M. Isabel Libby of Saco. (S. P. 135, L. D. 418)

Resolve in favor of Nellie F. Hill of Saco. (S. P. 136, L. D. 419)

Resolve authorizing the Forest Commissioner to convey a certain lot of land to Edmund B. Lapointe. (S. P. 231, L. D. 417)

Resolve authorizing the Forest Commissioner to sell lands in St.

Francis Plantation, Aroostook County. (H. P. 230, L. D. 414)

Resolve in favor of Evie Morelen Studley for Teacher's pension. (H. P. 531, L. D. 415)

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Towle of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act to change the name of Soward Island to Treasure Island, (L. D. 713), tabled by that Senator on February 20th pending first reading.

Mr. TOWLE of Kennebec: Mr. President, I move that the bill receive its first reading.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Greenleaf of Androscoggin, the bill was retabled, pending first reading.

viding for a State pension for Nel-  
On motion by Mrs. Carter of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act repealing the bounty on bears (H. P. 1056, L. D. 612), tabled by that Senator on February 19th pending reference.

Mrs. CARTER of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I yield to the Senator from Piscataquis, Senator Leland.

Mr. LELAND of Piscataquis: Mr. President, I think that a matter of similar nature has been considered by a joint committee consisting of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, and I therefore move this bill be referred to that joint committee in non-concurrence.

The motion prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act to provide for continuous revisions of the statutes and legislative assistance (S. P. 278, L. D. 249), tabled by that Senator on February 20th pending passage.

Mr. SPEAR of Cumberland: Mr. President, I yield to the Senator from Washington, Senator Murchie.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Murchie of Washington, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Crockett of York, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that bill, An act relating to regu-

lation of loans by trust companies (L. D. 376) be recalled from the engrossing department to the Senate for such further action as the Legislature may order.

Sent down for concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will declare a short recess, the Senators to reassemble at the sound of the gong.

#### After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Farnsworth of Aroostook, the Senate voted to reconsider its action taken earlier in today's session whereby it was voted to accept the ought to pass report of the Committee on Pensions on Resolve providing for a state pension for Bertha A. Dinslow of Searsmont (S. P. 284); and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Pensions.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Farnsworth of Aroostook, the Senate voted to reconsider its action taken earlier in today's session whereby it was voted to accept the ought to pass report of the Committee on Pensions on Resolve providing for a state pension for Beatrice E. Gilbert (S. P. 329), and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Pensions.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act to increase maximum and minimum rates under the Workmen's Compensation Act (H. P. 982, L. D. 503), tabled by

that Senator on February 17th pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot the rules were suspended and that Senator presented the following order out of order:

Ordered that a message be sent to the House proposing a joint convention to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of greeting the Honorable Henry Lord, Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1878 and President of the Maine Senate in 1889; and the Honorable Henry W. Sargeant who was a member of the Senate in 1889.

Which was read and passed.

The Secretary conveyed the message.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Chapman, its clerk, concurring in the foregoing proposition for a Joint Convention.

The Senate then proceeded to the House of Representatives where a convention was formed.

(For proceedings in Joint Convention see House Report)

#### In the Senate

Upon the return of the Senators to the Senate Chamber, the Senate was called to order by the President.

Additional papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Weymouth of Penobscot, Adjourned, until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.