

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Thursday, February 7, 1935.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Pressey of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill An act to provide for pensions for veterans of the Civil War, Spanish War and Philippine Insurrection, and their dependents. S. P. 383.

Came from the Senate referred to the committee on Pensions.

In the House, referred to the committee on Pensions in concurrence, and on motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley 500 copies ordered printed.

From the Senate: Bill an act relating to licenses for retail stores, S. P. 375, L. D. 339.

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Taxation.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Hill of South Portland, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill an act relating to hunting on Sundays, H. P. 339, L. D. 109, which was referred to the committee on Legal Affairs in the House on January 23rd.

Comes from the Senate referred to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Donovan of Lewiston it was voted to recede and concur with the Senate in the reference of this bill to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Senate Bill in First Reading

S. P. 316, L. D. 268: An act to correct technical errors in various laws.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 12th at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Comes from the Senate, read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were received and upon recommendation of the committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

An act decreasing the subsidy contributed by the State relative to education (H. P. No. 1197) (Presented by Mr. Flanders of Auburn)

(Tabled by Mr. Flanders of Auburn, pending reference.)

Resolve appropriating money for carrying out the purposes of Chapter 297, Special Session of 1934, entitled "An act for the protection of cattle from Bangs Disease" (H. P. No. 1198) (Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Wells)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Banks and Banking

An act relating to small loans (H. P. No. 1199) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Falmouth)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

An act relating to investments of savings banks (H. P. No. 1200) (Presented by Mr. Harriman of Gardiner)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

An act relating to the deposit of certain securities by banks (H. P. No. 1201) (Presented by Mr. Demers of Sanford)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Inland Fisheries and Game

An act relating to game preserves at Back Bay, Portland (H. P. No. 1202) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Falmouth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve relating to ice fishing in Little Sebago Lake (H. P. No. 1203) (Presented by Mr. Haskell of Windham)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve for screening Cedar Lake in the county of Penobscot (H. P. No. 1204) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Bangor)

Judiciary

An act to provide for the nomination of candidates for State and County offices by political party conventions subject to right of appeal to primary elections (H. P. No. 1205) (Presented by Mr. Hall of Bar Harbor)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to the returns of town assessors and to the duties of the Board of Equalization (H. P. No. 1206) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Westbrook)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act permitting the State to be sued for refund of inheritance taxes (H. P. No. 1207) (Presented by Mr. Cole of West Gardiner)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to the use of reflectors on commercial vehicles (H. P. No. 1208) (Presented by Mr. Hill of So. Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to collection agencies (H. P. No. 1209) (Presented by Mr. Jacobson of Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act roviding for the manufacture of motor vehicle registration plates and other plates for the use of the State at the State Frison (H. P. No. 1210) (Presented by Mr. Lebel of Brunswick)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to repeal the law providing appeals in certain tax cases (H. P. No. 1211) (Presented by Mr. Mason of Mechanic Falls)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to liability insurance (H. P. No. 1212) (Presented by Mr. Patterson of Freeport)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to corporations without capital stock (H. P. 1213) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to rogues, vagabonds, idle persons, etc. (H. P. 1214) (Presented by Mr. Seabury of Yarmouth by request)

Mr. CONNOLLY of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill be read at this time.

The SPEAKER: Is there any objection? If not, the Clerk will read the bill.

(Bill read by the Clerk in full)

Mr. CONNOLLY: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill be tabled.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. CONNOLLY: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Connolly, now moves that the bill be taken from the table.

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The same gentleman now moves the indefinite postponement of this bill.

That motion prevailed.

An act making use of copper metal mandatory in the purchase or production of motor vehicle plates (H. P. No. 1215) (Presented by Mr. Wheeler of St. George)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to authorize certain tax

collectors to appoint deputies (H. P. No. 1216) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Falmouth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to sheriffs (H. P. No. 1217) (Presented by Mr. Wright of Madison)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Legal Affairs

An act relating to horse racing and creating a State Racing Commission (H. P. No. 1218) (Presented by Mr. Connolly of Portland)

(1,000 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to State Highway Police (H. P. No. 1219) (Presented by Mr. Vaughan of So. Berwick)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to regulate the practices of professional engineering and land surveying; creating a State Board of Registration for professional engineers and land surveyors (H. P. No. 1220) (Presented by Mr. Graves of Mt. Desert)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Mines and Mining

An act relative to mines and minerals (H. P. No. 1221) (Presented by Mr. Mosher of Farmington)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Public Utilities

An act defining the railroad location (H. P. No. 1222) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Westbrook)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Taxation

An act imposing an excise tax upon the privilege of owning land in this State (H. P. No. 1223) (Presented by Mr. Burrill of Lisbon)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to repeal the present excise tax on railroads and to re-enact the law of 1917 in lieu thereof (H. P. No. 1224) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Westbrook)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Temperance

An act relative to the sale of liquor (H. P. No. 1225) (Presented by Mr. Connolly of Portland)

(1,000 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to licenses for sale of liquor and alcohol (H. P. No. 1226) (Presented by Mr. Eveleth of Portland)

(1,000 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to liquor licenses (H. P. No. 1227) (Presented by Mr. MacKenzie of Jackman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Ways and Bridges

Petition of Edmund H. Kirstead of Fairfield and 70 others in favor of H. P. 164—Resolve in favor of town of Fairfield for Martin Stream Road (H. P. No. 1228) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Fairfield)

An act relating to the construction of State Aid and Third Class highways (H. P. No. 1229) (Presented by Mr. Mosher of Farmington)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to maintenance and snow removal on highways (H. P. No. 1230) (Presented by Mr. Young of York)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve relating to the construction of Butler's Ferry Bridge (H. P. No. 1231) (Presented by Mr. Jillson of Anson)

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson (H. P. No. 1232) (Presented by Mr. Carleton of Alna)

Orders

Mr. Desmond presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the Committee on Legal Affairs be authorized and instructed to hold a hearing in Portland City Hall, Portland, the date to be determined by the Legal Affairs Committee, on House Paper 1063, bill an act relating to the charter of the city of Portland.

On motion by Mr. Burnham, the order was tabled pending passage.

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Castle Hill, it was

Ordered, that there be printed 500 additional copies of S. P. 132, L. D. 71, an act relative to resident fishing and hunting licenses.

Mr. Phair of Caswell presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, that in view of the fact that an appropriation for old age pensions, so-called, may be made by the present Legislature, and that many of the persons now in almshouses would thereby be affected, in which event the operation of poor farms, so-called, would be impracticable, a committee of sixteen members, one from each county, shall be chosen from the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Seventh Legislature, now in session, by the Speaker thereof, to investigate the advisability of establishing one county farm in each

county, and, if found advisable, to submit recommendations therefor at a later date of the present legislative session.

On motion by Mr. Hill of South Portland, the order was tabled pending passage.

Report of Committees

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported ought to pass on resolve regulating fishing in Mousam Lake Tributaries (H. P. No. 197)

Mr. Hescocock from same Committee reported same on resolve regulating smelt fishing in Swan Lake (H. P. No. 299)

Mr. Lewis from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported same on bill an act to regulate the taking of clams in the town of Winter Harbor (H. P. No. 217)

Reports read and accepted and the bill and resolves ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

First Reading of a Printed Bill

(H. P. No. 1196) (L. D. No. 378)
An act to provide a Town Council and Manager form of government for the town of Ashland in the county of Aroostook.

Passed to Be Engrossed

(S. P. No. 88) (L. D. No. 183) An act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

(On motion by Mr. Connolly of Portland, tabled, pending third reading.)

(S. P. No. 92) (L. D. No. 182) An act authorizing the Adjutant-General to grant a permit to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at Camp Keyes.

(H. P. No. 419) (L. D. No. 112) An act to authorize the Farm Lands Loan Commission to make certain funds available for the Commissioner of Agriculture.

(H. P. No. 1110) (L. D. No. 320) An act relating to corporations without capital stock.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Lebel of Brunswick, the House voted to reconsider its action, taken this morning, whereby it referred to the committee on Judiciary, H. P. 1210, bill an act providing for the manufacture of motor vehicle registration plates and other plates for the use of the State at the State Prison; and on

further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on State Prison.

On motion by Mr. Lebel of Brunswick, the House voted to reconsider its action, taken this morning, whereby it referred to the committee on Judiciary, H. P. 1215, bill an act making use of copper metal mandatory in the purchase or production of motor vehicle plates; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on State Prison.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Fairfield, it was voted to take from the table the third unassigned matter, being H. P. 1047, resolve relating to fishing in Bog Stream, tabled by that gentleman February 5, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was indefinitely postponed by reason of the fact that it is taken care of in another resolve.

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley, it was voted to take from the table the first unassigned matter, H. P. 448, L. D. 131, bill an act relating to hunting on Sunday, tabled by that gentleman January 24, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

On motion by Mr. Desmond of Portland, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby, earlier this morning, it voted to refer H. P. 1202, bill an act relating to Game Preserves at Back Bay Portland, to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was tabled pending reference.

On motion by Mr. King of Orono, Adjourned until Tuesday morning, February 12, at ten o'clock.