

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE**

Wednesday, January 30, 1935.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. E. J. Webber of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

From the House:

Bill "An Act Relative to the Making of Local Regulations for Fishing by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game." (S. P. 190) (L. D. 140)

(In the Senate on January 24th referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc, tabled pending consideration.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Kennebec the rules were suspended and the same Senator presented, out of order, two bonds of the Hon. George S. Foster, Treasurer of State. (S. P. 265)

Which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Mr. Hussey of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act to Appropriate Moneys for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years ending June 30, 1936 and June 30, 1937." (S. P. 234)

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented "Resolve in Favor of a Memorial to the Maine Volunteer Corps." (S. P. 235)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Claims**

Mr. Weeks of Somerset presented "Resolve in Favor of Edmund A. Walker of Benton." (S. P. 236)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Insane Hospitals**

Mr. Friend of Somerset presented Bill "An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Public Laws of 1933 Relating to the Return of Insane Persons to the State." (S. P. 237)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Interior Waters**

Mr. Friend of Somerset presented Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of Kennebec Reservoir Company." (S. P. 238)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Mr. Burns of Aroostook presented Bill "An Act to Validate the Organization of Colby Light and Power Company, and the Issuance of its Stock." (S. P. 239)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act to Validate the Organization of Caribou Water, Light and Power Company and to Enlarge its Purposes." (S. P. 240)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Burkett of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to Revocation of Medical Doctors' Licenses." (S. P. 241)

(On motion by Mr. McDonald of Washington, tabled pending reference.)

Mr. Friend of Somerset presented Bill "An Act to Amend Section 14 of Chapter 147 of the Revised Statutes Relating to Violation of Terms of Probation." (S. P. 242)

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented by request Bill "An Act to Define and Limit the Jurisdiction of Courts Sitting in Equity and for Other Purposes" (S. P. 243)

The same Senator presented Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution relating to the election of the Attorney General. (S. P. 244)

The same Senator presented Bill An act relating to the appointment of the Attorney General. (S. P. 245)

Mr. Burkett of Cumberland presented Bill An act relative to the tenure of office and removal of chiefs and chief engineers of fire departments. (S. P. 246)

The same Senator presented Bill An act relating to offenses against habitations and other buildings. (S. P. 247)

(500 copies of each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Legal Affairs

Mr. Worcester of Washington presented Bill An act relating to terms of the County Commissioners' Court for the County of Washington. (S. P. 248)

Sent down for concurrence.

Miss Martin of Penobscot presented Bill An act relating to bringing children into the State for certain purposes. (S. P. 249)

The same Senator presented Bill An act to provide for the union of towns for the employment of social welfare workers. (S. P. 250)

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented Bill An act relating to licenses for retail stores. (S. P. 251)

Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock presented Bill An act to repeal Chapter 117 of the Private and Special Laws of 1933 relating to the Deer Isle-Sedgwick Bridge District. (S. P. 252)

The same Senator presented Bill An act to create the Deer Isle-Sedgwick Bridge District. (S. P. 264)

Mr. Worcester of Washington presented Bill An act to incorporate the Town of Jonesport School District. (S. P. 253)

Mr. Pinansky of Cumberland presented Bill An act to amend An act to create a board of Harbor Commissioners for the Harbor of Portland, and defining its powers. (S. P. 254)

(500 copies of each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented Bill An act to regulate steam engineering. (S. P. 255)

(On motion by Mr. Schnurle of Cumberland, tabled pending reference.)

### Pensions

Mr. Worcester of Washington presented Resolve in favor of Maggie Wallace of Beals. (S. P. 256)

The same Senator presented Resolve in favor of Ethel Smith of Deblois. (S. P. 257)

Mr. Hussey of Kennebec presented Resolve providing for a State pension for Lilla Wadley Gordon of Augusta. (S. P. 258)

Mr. Burkett of Knox presented Resolve providing for a state pension for Joseph Carpenter, of Appleton. (S. P. 259)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Salaries and Fees

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented Bill An act relating to the classifi-

cation and compensation of state employees. (S. P. 260)

(1000 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Ways and Bridges

Mr. Worcester of Washington presented Resolve in favor of a bridge in Jonesport. (S. P. 261)

The same Senator presented Resolve in favor of a bridge in Addison. (S. P. 262)

Mr. Fernald of Waldo presented Resolve relating to planking on roadside fencing. (S. P. 263)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc, the Senate voted to take from the table, "An Act relative to the making of local regulations for fishing by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game (S. P. 190) (L. D. 140), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending consideration; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Schnurle.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Schnurle of Cumberland, the Senate voted to insist and ask for a committee of conference and the Chair appointed as members of such committee on the part of the Senate, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Schnurle, the Senator from Hancock, Senator Blaisdell, and the Senator from Oxford, Senator Bartlett.

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to discharge of firearms across highways while hunting (H. P. 302) (L. D. 76), tabled on January 24th by that Senator pending reference in concurrence; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Schnurle.

Mr. SCHNURLE of Cumberland: Mr. President, if I am in order I would like to ask the status of these bills (L. D. 76 and L. D. 77). Are they pending reference to a committee or were they assigned in the House?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the bills were introduced from the House where they were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, no action as to their reference having been taken in the Senate, and the pending question being reference to a committee.

Thereupon, the bill (L. D. 76) was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in non-concurrence.  
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act relating to intoxicated persons carrying guns while hunting (H. P. 303) (L. D. 77), tabled on January 24th by that Senator pending reference in concurrence; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Schnurle.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Schnurle of Cumberland, the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in non-concurrence.  
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc, the Senate voted to take from the table, An Act providing for the regulation and supervision of electricians (S. P. 148), tabled by that Senator on January 27th pending reference.

Mr. JACKSON of Sagadahoc: Mr. President, this is a matter in which I have little personal interest. I introduced it at the request of a group of Cumberland County gentlemen. As I view it, it is purely a fire protection matter. We read in the papers in fully 75% of cases of fire that the fire was caused by defective wiring and this is aimed at remedying that condition to some extent. It seems to me that the proper place for it to be referred is to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and I move that it be so referred.

Thereupon, the bill was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and five hundred copies ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BLAISDELL of Hancock: Mr. President, referring to the closing date for the reception of private and special legislation, would it be fair to state for the benefit the new members in the Senate that it has been the custom in times past that bills that are reasonably prepared or arranged for and the data and information given to the Revisor of Statutes and which are in his possession but due to the crowded condition of his own work and his docket are not ready for reception, it has been the custom to allow them to be presented even though they are not completed and are not

on our calendar prior to the closing date. It seems to me that it has been the custom that if such private and special legislation, on which we have the first closing date, has been honestly and properly presented to the Revisor of Statutes and he has not been able to get it ready that it should be considered as if it were.

Mr. SCHNURLE of Cumberland: Mr. President, I would like to ask through the Chair a question of the Senator from Hancock. Senator Blaisdell, if I may

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Schnurle, wishes to ask the Senator from Hancock, Senator Blaisdell, a question through the Chair and the Senator from Hancock (Senator Blaisdell) may reply if he so desires.

Mr. SCHNURLE: Mr. President, I would like to ask whether it will be necessary to secure unanimous consent for the introduction of any bills that may be in the hands of the Revisor of Statutes as of four o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. BLAISDELL: Mr. President, the only answer that I can give to the Senator from Cumberland (Senator Schnurle) is that I had hoped that the President might make a statement amplifying my own remarks. I had hoped that the President would either say that the Senator from Hancock (Senator Blaisdell) was in error or that what I did say was according to our custom.

Mr. SCHNURLE: Well, Mr. President, with the permission of the Senator from Hancock (Senator Blaisdell) I will ask the question of the President.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that he feels that under the work which the Senate is doing full opportunity should be given to every member to present matters which they have for consideration and if matters are in the hands of the Revisor of Statutes in course of preparation that they would constitute exceptions to the rule and could be offered without unanimous consent of the Senate.

Mr. SCHNURLE: I thank the President.

On motion by Mr. Blanchard of Franklin,

Adjourned, until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock