

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**HOUSE**

Wednesday, February 17, 1937.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Van Couenhoven of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

**Senate Bill in First Reading**

S. P. 107, L. D. 119: An act relating to the regrouping of School Unions.

**Communication from the Governor**

STATE OF MAINE  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
AUGUSTA

February 15, 1937.

To the Maine House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit to you petitions of John H. Stalford and 25 other citizens of Bar Harbor, also Alphonso L. Shepardson, and 26 other citizens of Dover-Foxcroft in favor of the protection of dogs.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) LEWIS O. BARROWS,  
Governor.

Communication received and ordered placed on file, and the petition (H. P. No. 1433) referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

**Orders**

On motion by Mr. Stilphen of Dresden, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House be granted to the committee on Temperance for the afternoon of Thursday, February 25th.

On motion by Mr. Demers of Sanford, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House be granted to the Maine Pharmaceutical Association for the afternoon of Friday, February 19th.

**Reports of Committees**

Mr. Cole from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill an act creating a Board of Education for the city of Lewiston (H. P. No. 12) (L. D. No. 9) reported same in a new draft

(H. P. No. 1611) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Report read and accepted and the new draft ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

**First Reading of Printed Bills**

(H. P. No. 1468) (L. D. No. 517)

An act relative to qualifications of applicants for admission to the bar.

(H. P. No. 1469) (L. D. No. 518)

An act increasing the penalty for conspiracy.

**Passed To Be Engrossed**

(H. P. No. 199) (L. D. No. 68)

An act relating to salary of clerks in the office of Register of Probate in Oxford County.

(On motion by Mr. Hammond of Strong, tabled pending third reading)

(H. P. No. 376) (L. D. No. 113) An act to amend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

(H. P. No. 377) (L. D. No. 114) An act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

(H. P. No. 489) (L. D. No. 141) An act to consolidate the Houlton Water Company and the Houlton Sewerage Company and for other purposes.

(H. P. No. 490) (L. D. No. 142) An act relating to the regulation of wires.

(H. P. No. 491) (L. D. No. 143) An act to increase the amount to be paid for clerk hire in the office of the Register of Deeds in the county of Knox.

(H. P. No. 492) (L. D. No. 144) An act relating to salary of clerks in office of Register of Deeds in Oxford County.

(H. P. No. 1329) (L. D. No. 489) An act relating to homesteads.

(H. P. No. 311) (L. D. No. 99) Resolve granting authority to the Forestry Department to sell certain land.

(H. P. No. 365) (L. D. No. 109) Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide for longer residence to qualify as a voter.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is informed that Item No. 11, resolve authorizing the Forest Commissioner to convey land in the county of Aroostook, H. P. 635, L. D. 193, has been withheld temporarily at the request of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley, it was voted to take from the table the second unassigned matter, joint order relative to reception of bills of a strictly revisionary nature, S. P. 186, tabled by that gentleman on February 4th pending passage in concurrence.

Mr. ELLIS: Mr. Speaker, as this matter has been taken care of by an order passed by both branches, subsequent to this one, I now move that the order be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The motion prevailed and the order was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Varney of Berwick, it was voted to take from the table the first unassigned matter, bill an act relating to the State Police Retirement System, H. P. 667, tabled by that gentleman on February 3rd pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Pensions.

On motion by Mr. Russell of Gray, it was voted to take from the table the eleventh unassigned matter, resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution, relating to the election of the Governor's Council, H. P. 1429, tabled by that gentleman on February 16th pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was referred to the committee on Judiciary, 750 copies ordered printed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Russell of Gray, it was voted to take from the table the twelfth unassigned matter, resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution, providing for the election of the Governor's Council, H. P. 1430, tabled by that gentleman on February 16th pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was referred to the committee on Judiciary, 750 copies ordered printed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hammond of Strong, the House voted to recon-

sider its action of yesterday where-by it passed to be engrossed S. P. 63, L. D. 43, resolve in favor of Harry C. Libby of Portland.

Mr. Hammond offered House Amendment A and moved its adoption, as follows:

House Amendment A to S. P. 63, L. D. 43, resolve in favor of Harry C. Libby of Portland.

Amend said resolve by striking out the first four paragraphs thereof, which constitute the preamble of the resolve.

Thereupon, House Amendment A was adopted and the resolve as amended by House Amendment A was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley, it was voted to take from the table the sixth unassigned matter, joint order relative to duties of clerks of committees, H. P. 1331, tabled by that gentleman on February 11th pending passage.

Mr. TABBUT of Columbia Falls: Mr. Speaker, I ask permission to withdraw this order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Columbia Falls, Mr. Tabbut, was granted permission to withdraw the order.

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley, it was voted to take from the table the sixteenth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to divorce, H. P. 468, L. D. 135, tabled on February 16th pending third reading.

Mr. McGLAUFLIN of Portland: Mr. Speaker, having had opportunity to read the bill, I now withdraw my motion to have the bill read.

The SPEAKER: The bill is now in order for its third reading.

On motion by Mr. Ellis of Rangeley, the bill was given its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Bates of Pat-ten, it was voted to take from the table the fourteenth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to exemptions of motor vehicles transporting property for hire, H. P. 1562, tabled by that gentleman on February 16th pending reference to a committee.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker, I now ask permission to withdraw this bill.

The SPEAKER: The Chair un-

derstands that the gentleman from Patten, Mr. Bates, now moves that the House reconsider its action of yesterday whereby 750 copies of this bill were ordered printed.

The motion prevailed and Mr.

Bates was granted permission to withdraw the bill.

On motion by Mr. Boothby of Shapleigh,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.