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SENATE

Thursday, February 25, 1937.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend H. Mortimer Gesner of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

An Act Regulating Collection Agencies (H. P. 1634) (L. D. 774).

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Relative to Fishing in Youngs or Lost Pond (H. P. 1007) reported that the same ought not to pass.

In the House, the report was read and accepted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Cook of Somerset, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

House Bills and Resolves in First Reading

"An Act Relating to the Register of Deeds for the County of Knox." (H. P. 616) (L. D. 185), in new draft.

"An Act Relating to the Duties and Functions of the Maine State Poultry Association and the Androscoggin Poultry and Pet Stock Association." (H. P. 604) (L. D. 196).

"An Act Relating to an Interstate Bridge Authority for the Portsmouth-Kittery Bridge and Approaches Thereto." (H. P. 33) (L. D. 18), in new draft (H. P. 1631) (L. D. 767).

"An Act Relating to State Board of Arbitration." (H. P. 1118) (L. D. 373), in new draft (H. P. 1633) (L. D. 765).

"An Act to Regulate the Size of Mesh in Nets Used by Beam Trawlers." (H. P. 206) (L. D. 75).

"An Act to Prohibit Non-residents from Taking Ground Fish for Commercial Purposes." (H. P. 204) (L. D. 73).

"An Act Requiring All Resident Fishermen of Ground Fish to Obtain License." (H. P. 202) (L. D. 71).

"Resolve Relating to Taking of Clams in Harrington." (H. P. 81) (L. D. 36).

"Resolve Relating to Lobster Fishing in Winter Harbor." (H. P. 201) (L. D. 70).

"Resolve Relating to the Taking of Clams Within the Town of Islesboro." (H. P. 308) (L. D. 96).

Order

On motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, it was

Ordered, that 500 additional copies be ordered printed of (S. P. 210) (L. D. 296) bill "An Act Authorizing Counties, Districts, Cities, Towns and Plantations to Establish, Acquire, Own and Operate Public Utilities."

Reports of Committees

Mr. Tompkins from the Committee on Education on bill "An Act Relating to the Purchase of Supplies for Public Schools," (S. P. 310) (L. D. 509) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Owen from the same Committee on bill "An Act Relating to Basic Science," (S. P. 276) (L. D. 500) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Tompkins of Aroostook, tabled pending acceptance of the report.)

Mr. Cook from the same Committee on bill "An Act Relating to State Aid for Academies," (S. P. 171) (L. D. 246) reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Passed to be Engrossed

"Resolve Assenting to the Provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Act, So-called." (H. P. 36) (L. D. 21)

"An Act Permitting the Auburn Sewerage District to Enter and Discharge Sewerage into the Androscoggin River above the Dam at Lewiston Falls." (H. P. 123) (L. D. 55)

"An Act Relating to Raccoons." (H. P. 185) (L. D. 58)

"An Act Relating to Hunting Licenses." (H. P. 187) (L. D. 59)

"An Act to Establish a Game Preserve in the Town of Readfield,

County of Kennebec." (H. P. 349) (L. D. 104)

"An Act Relative to Possession of Firearms." (H. P. 446) (L. D. 150)

"An Act Relating to Trappers' Licenses." (H. P. 449) (L. D. 132)

"An Act Relative to Revocation of Hunting Licenses." (H. P. 450) (L. D. 152)

"An Act Relative to Hunting, Definition of." (H. P. 451) (L. D. 153)

"An Act Relative to Possession of Fishing Gear." (H. P. 453) (L. D. 154)

"An Act Relative to Non-resident Guides." (H. P. 454) (L. D. 155)

"An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in County Offices of Androscoggin County." (H. P. 699) (L. D. 227)

"An Act Relating to the Practice of Optometry Defined." (H. P. 871) (L. D. 305)

"An Act Relating to the Western Washington Municipal Court." (H. P. 878) (L. D. 266)

Which bills and resolve were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve Changing the Name of Ram Island." (S. P. 200) (L. D. 761)

"An Act Relating to the Acquisition of Certain Lands in the State, by the United States of America." (S. P. 404) (L. D. 769)

Which bill and resolve were read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Enacted

"An Act Changing the Name of Oak Grove Seminary to Oak Grove School." (S. P. 38) (L. D. 285)

"An Act Relating to the Regrouping of School Unions." (S. P. 107) (L. D. 119)

"An Act Increasing the Amount Paid for Clerk Hire in the Office of Clerk of Courts in Knox County." (H. P. 200) (L. D. 69)

"An Act Relative to Damage by Deer and Moose." (H. P. 289) (L. D. 92)

"An Act Relating to Cheating by False Pretenses." (H. P. 295) (L. D. 89)

"An Act Relating to the Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation." (H. P. 363) (L. D. 108)

"An Act to Amend the Charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company." (H. P. 376) (L. D. 113)

"An Act to Extend the Charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company." (H. P. 377) (L. D. 114)

"An Act Relating to Divorce." (H. P. 468) (L. D. 135)

"An Act Relating to Complaint in Cases of Neglect to Children." (H. P. 470) (L. D. 160)

"An Act to Consolidate the Houlton Water Company and the Houlton Sewerage Company, and for Other Purposes." (H. P. 489) (L. D. 141)

"An Act Relating to the Regulation of Wires." (H. P. 490) (L. D. 142)

"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. 491) (L. D. 143)

Finally Passed

"Resolve, in Favor of Harry C. Libby of Portland." (S. P. 63) (L. D. 43)

"Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interests of the State in a Certain Lot of Land to the Augusta Trust Company." (S. P. 136) (L. D. 175)

"Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interests of the State in a Certain Lot of Land to Elmer E. Newbert, Trustee." (S. P. 137) (L. D. 167)

"Resolve Granting Authority to the Forestry Department to Sell Certain Land." (H. P. 311) (L. D. 99)

(Constitutional Amendment)

"Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for Longer Residence to Qualify as a Voter." (H. P. 365) (L. D. 109)

Mr. SPEAR of Cumberland: Mr. President, when the vote is taken on the final passage of this resolve I ask that it be taken by a roll call.

On the question of the roll call a division of the Senate was had. A sufficient number not having risen, the roll call was not ordered.

Thereupon, the resolve, being a Constitutional Amendment and having received the affirmative vote of 25 members of the Senate and none opposed, was finally passed.

Orders of the Day

Order

(Out of Order)

On motion by Mr. Owen of Kennebec, it was

Ordered, that the list of cosmetics as previously ordered be increased from 1000 copies to 3000 copies.

The PRESIDENT: Is there any further business to come before the Senate? If not the Chair will declare a recess.

After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Additional paper from the House, out of order and under suspension of the rules:

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on bill, "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Overdrafts Already Incurred Due to Insufficient Appropriations and Anticipated Overdrafts and Other Obligations for which no Legislative Appropriations have been made" (H. P. 1475) (L. D. 697), reported that the same ought to pass.

In the House, the report of the committee was accepted and under suspension of the rules the bill was given its three several readings and passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate, the report of the committee was accepted in concurrence and the bill was given its first reading. Thereupon, the rules were suspended and the bill was given its second reading, House Amendment "A" was read and adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House Amendment "A" was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Worthen of Penobscot, it was

Ordered, that five hundred additional copies be printed of House Paper 1013, Legislative Document 417, "Resolve Limiting Weir Fishing for Salmon on the Penobscot River."

On motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take

from the table House report from the Committee on Salaries and Fees, "Ought to Pass" on bill, "An Act Relating to Salary of Clerks in the Office of Register of Probate in Oxford County" (H. P. 199) (L. D. 68), tabled by that Senator on February 24th pending consideration; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Oxford, Senator Osgood.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Osgood of Oxford, the Senate voted to recede and concur with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

On motion by Mr. Fernald of Waldo,

Recessed until this afternoon at five o'clock.

After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

(Emergency Measure)

(Out of Order)

"An Act Appropriating Moneys for Overdrafts Already Incurred Due to Insufficient Appropriations and Anticipated Overdrafts, and Other Obligations for Which No Legislative Appropriations Have Been Made." (H. P. 1475) (L. D. 697)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 28 members of the Senate, and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

The PRESIDENT: Is there any further business to come before the Senate?

On motion by Mr. Beckett of Washington,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.