

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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OF THE

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HOUSE

Tuesday, January 31, 1939.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Congdon of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Bill Tabled

From the Senate: Bill "An Act Amending the Law Creating a State Park Commission" (S. P. 163) (L. D. 130).

Comes from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Hinman of Skowhegan, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

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

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Resolve in favor of Knox Memorial Association, Inc., for Support and Maintenance of "Montpelier" (H. P. 523) (Presented by Mr. Bird of Rockland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims

Resolve in favor of Northern Maine General Hospital, Eagle Lake (H. P. 524) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Eagle Lake)

Resolve in favor of the town of Pownal (H. P. 525) (Presented by Mr. Cushing of Preport)

Resolve in favor of the town of Gorham for Hospital Treatment for Dawn Randall (H. P. 526) (Presented by Mr. Douglass of Gorham)

Resolve in favor of the town of Orland for Support of Harry R. Bates, State Pauper (H. P. 527) (Presented by Mr. Emery of Bucksport)

Resolve to reimburse the town of Dedham for Support of Harry R. Bates, State Pauper (H. P. 528) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Joseph A.

Laliberte of Augusta (H. P. 529) (Presented by Mr. Fellows of Augusta)

Resolve in favor of Zina N. Witham of Augusta (H. P. 530) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Vernon Soule of Augusta (H. P. 531) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve to Reimburse the town of Bridgewater for Support of Paupers (H. P. 532) (Presented by Mr. Good of Monticello)

Resolve in favor of Harland B. Webber of Cumberland (H. P. 533) (Presented by Mr. Gyger of Cumberland)

Resolve to Reimburse the town of Hartland for Support of Raymond Thompson and Family (H. P. 534) (Presented by Mr. Jewett of Ripley)

Resolve in favor of Cecil Carter of Surry (H. P. 535) (Presented by Mr. Mahon of Ellsworth by request)

Resolve to Reimburse the town of Winthrop for Support of Richard and Florence Hallock (H. P. 536) (Presented by Mr. McNamara of Winthrop)

Resolve in favor of Fred N. Babcock of Litchfield (H. P. 537) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Reimbursing the town of Lisbon for Support of Paupers (H. P. 538) (Presented by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon Falls)

Sent up for concurrence.

Federal Relations

Memorial to the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled Petitioning for Air Bases in Maine (H. P. 539) (Presented by Mr. Butler of Waterville)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act establishing a Game Preserve in Piscataquis County" (H. P. 540) (Presented by Mr. Dean of Greenville)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Hunting in the town of Castine" (H. P. 541) (Presented by Mr. Emery of Bucksport)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act Permitting Sunday Hunting of Game Birds and Foxes" (H. P. 542) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Bethel by request)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relative to Closed Time on Wild Hares and Rabbits"

(H. P. 543) (Presented by Mr. Stillphen of Dresden by request)
(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating the Taking of Muskrats in Wassookeag Lake (H. P. 544) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Corinna)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating the Trapping of Muskrats in Seabasticook Lake, Corundel Lake and their Tributaries (H. P. 545) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating Transportation of Fish Taken from Sebago Lake (H. P. 546) (Presented by Mr. Hanold of Standish)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Grand Lake and Pocumpus Lake (H. P. 547) (Presented by Mr. Haskell of Lee)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in East Grand Lake (H. P. 548) (Presented by Mr. Sylvia of Danforth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Great Embden Pond in Embden (H. P. 549) (Presented by Mr. Thorne of Madison)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve for Screening Sabbathday Lake (H. P. 550) (Presented by Mr. Chandler of New Gloucester)

Resolve for Repairing Screen at Outlet of Webbs Pond in Weld (H. P. 551) (Presented by Mr. Hall of Wilton)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to Pauper Settlement" (H. P. 552) (Presented by Mr. Emery of Bucksport)

(750 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Publishing of Assessment Lists" (H. P. 553) (Presented by Mr. Dow of Norway)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Arrests" (H. P. 564) (Presented by Mr. Hinckley of So. Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relative to Errors in Records, Tax Lists, Descriptions of Real Estate, and Returns, How Amended" (H. P. 555) (Presented by Mr. Maxim of Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Liability for Damage Caused by Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 556) (Presented by Mr. Thorne of Madison)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to amend the Fair Trade Act" (H. P. 557) (Presented by Mr. Whitney of Bangor)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve proposing an Amendment to the Constitution relating to the Election of the Governor's Council (H. P. 558) (Presented by Mr. Donahue of Biddeford)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Abolishing the Governor's Council (H. P. 559) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Permitting Paupers to Vote (H. P. 560) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to the Charter of the city of Rockland" (H. P. 561) (Presented by Mr. Bird of Rockland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill Tabled

Bill "An Act relating to Issuance of Motor Vehicle Operators' Licenses" (H. P. 562) (Presented by Mr. Lord of Brunswick)

(On motion by Mr. Paul of Portland, tabled pending reference to a committee, and 500 copies ordered printed)

Legal Affairs—(Continued)

Bill "An Act relating to the School Board of the city of Eastport" (H. P. 563) (Presented by Mr. MacNichol of Eastport)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Recording of Personal Property Titles" (H. P. 564) (Presented by Mr. Payson of Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Motor Vehicles

Bill "An Act relating to the Use of License Plate Locks on Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 565) (Presented by Mr. Fellows of Augusta by request)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Reserved Number Plates for Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 566) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Bethel)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Pensions

Bill "An Act relating to Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 567) (Presented by Mr. Bolduc of Biddeford)

Bill "An Act relating to Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 568) (Presented by Mr. Stevens of Jonesport)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Albert Rollins of Troy (H. P. 569) (Presented by Mr. Farwell of Unity)

Resolve providing for an Increase in State Pension for Lyle G. Foss of Milo (H. P. 570) (Presented by Mr. Peakes of Milo)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for John S. Philbrick of Orneville (H. P. 571) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Lucinda Smith of Lisbon (H. P. 572) (Presented by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon Falls)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Alice Bradbury of Hermon (H. P. 573) (Presented by Mr. Snow of Hermon)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Addie Sargent of Athens (H. P. 574) (Presented by Mr. Thorne of Madison)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Helen H. Curtis of Athens (H. P. 575) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Agnes M. Nichols of Hallowell (H. P. 576) (Presented by Mr. Weed of Manchester)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Central Aroostook Railway Company" (H. P. 577) (Presented by Mr. Fellows of Augusta)
(500 copies ordered printed)

Salaries and Fees

Bill "An Act relating to Clerk Hire in the Office of Register of Deeds of Franklin County" (H. P. 578) (Presented by Mr. Hall of Wilton by request)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Clerk Hire in the Office of the Register of Deeds in Lincoln County" (H. P. 579) (Presented by Mr. Stilphen of Dresden)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Clerk Hire in Somerset County" (H. P. 580) (Presented by Mr. Thorne of Madison)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams in the town of Brooklin" (H. P. 581) (Presented by Mr. Barter of Stonington)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams in the town of Sedgwick" (H. P. 582) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams in the town of Brooksville" (H. P. 583) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve relating to Lobster Fishing in Machias Bay (H. P. 584) (Presented by Mr. Stevens of Jonesport)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

State Lands and Forest Preservation

Resolve Granting Authority to the Forestry Department to Convey Certain Land to Alex J. Latno of Old Town (H. P. 585) (Presented by Mrs. Latno of Old Town)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Charitable and Benevolent Corporations" (H. P. 586) (Presented by Mr. Dow of Eliot by request)

(750 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Surrender by Medford of its Organization" (H. P. 587) (Presented by Mr. Peakes of Milo)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Surrender by Orneville of its Organization" (H. P. 588) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Surrender by town of Topsfield of its Organization" (H. P. 589) (Presented by Mr. Sylvia of Danforth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

Resolve in favor of the town of Brooklin (H. P. 590) (Presented by Mr. Barter of Stonington)

Resolve in favor of the town of Raymond (H. P. 591) (Presented by Mr. Chandler of New Gloucester)

Resolve in favor of the town of

Freeport (H. P. 592) (Presented by Mr. Cushing of Freeport)

Resolve in favor of Harfords Point in Piscataquis County (H. P. 593) (Presented by Mr. Dean of Greenville)

Resolve in favor of the town of Greenville (H. P. 594) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Shirley (H. P. 595) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Chesuncook Plantation (H. P. 596) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Monson (H. P. 597) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Blanchard (H. P. 598) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Willimantic (H. P. 599) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of East Machias (H. P. 600) (Presented by Mr. Dennison of E. Machias)

Resolve in favor of the town of East Machias (H. P. 601) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Lovell (H. P. 602) (Presented by Mr. Dow of Norway)

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson (H. P. 603) (Presented by Miss Fowles of Whitefield)

Resolve in favor of the town of Benton (H. P. 604) (Presented by Mr. Keene of Clinton)

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick (H. P. 605) (Presented by Mr. Lord of Brunswick)

Resolve in favor of the town of Winthrop (H. P. 606) (Presented by Mr. McNamara of Winthrop)

Resolve in favor of the town of Monmouth (H. P. 607) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Milo (H. P. 608) (Presented by Mr. Peakes of Milo)

Resolve in favor of the town of Medford (H. P. 609) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Sebec (H. P. 610) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Atkinson (H. P. 611) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Medford (H. P. 612) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Orneville (H. P. 613) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Trescott (H. P. 614) (Presented by Mr. Pike of Lubec)

Resolve in favor of the town of Lubec (H. P. 615) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Mechanic Falls (H. P. 616) (Presented by Mr. Pratt of Turner)

Resolve in favor of the town of Turner (H. P. 617) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

Resolve in favor of the town of Dayton (H. P. 618) (Presented by Mr. Ramsdell of Dayton)

Resolve in favor of the town of Buxton (H. P. 619) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Dayton (H. P. 620) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Lyman (H. P. 621) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Hollis (H. P. 622) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Solon (H. P. 623) (Presented by Mr. Thorne of Madison)

Resolve in favor of the town of Athens (H. P. 624) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Madison (H. P. 625) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Varney of Berwick, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 500 additional copies of Bill "An Act Relating to Automobile Junk Yards" (H. P. 243) (L. D. 59) and also of Bill "An Act Increasing the License and Permit Fees for Outdoor Advertising" (H. P. 385) (L. D. 103)

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 1000 additional copies of Bill "An Act Relative to Closed Time on Deer" (H. P. 272) (L. D. 82)

Order Tabled

Mr. Noyes of Franklin, presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the State Controller report to the Legislature an account of the amounts paid by the State to the various heads and employees of

the State for use of motor vehicles not owned by the State. This report shall be assembled under the headings of departments, and shall show the total mileage for the last 2 fiscal years up to January 1, 1939, and be it further

ORDERED, that 1000 copies thereof be printed.

(On motion by Mr. Varney of Berwick, tabled pending passage.

On motion by Mr. Bubar of Weston, it was

ORDERED, that 500 copies of Bill "An Act Relating to Maine State Prosperity Payments" (H. P. 391) be printed.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Thorne from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Declarations in Writs" (H. P. 8) (L. D. 14)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Recess Committee of the 88th Legislature on Labor Relations (H. P. 626)

(On motion by Mr. Varney of Berwick, report was referred to the Committee on Labor and sent up for concurrence)

First Reading of a Printed Bill

Bill "An Act to Provide for the

Surrender by town of Prentiss of its Organization" (H. P. 33) (L. D. 25)

Bill was read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin, the House voted to take from the table the second unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relative to Closed Time on Deer (H. P. 272) (L. D. 82) tabled on January 24th by that gentleman pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Burgess of Limestone, the House voted to take from the table the fourth unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relating to Lien on Potatoes" (H. P. 453) (L. D. 174) tabled on January 26th by that gentleman pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Merrifield of Lebanon,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.