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SENATE

Thursday, February 23, 1939.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Wm. R. Wood of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday, read and approved.

From the House:

Bill "An Act for Minimum Wage for Women and Minors." (H. P. 1426) (L. D. 599)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Labor.

In the Senate, on motion by Miss Laughlin of Cumberland, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill "An Act Relating to Minimum Fair Wages for Women and Minors." (H. P. 1641) (L. D. 644)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Labor.

In the Senate, on motion by Miss Laughlin of Cumberland, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill "An Act Relating to Insurance Companies." (H. P. 1770) (L. D. 946)

In the House referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

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

From the House:

Bill "An Act Relating to the Western Hancock Municipal Court." (H. P. 1782) (L. D. 947)

Comes from the House having been received in that body by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

In the Senate, the bill was received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Wilson Lake Sewer District in the Town of Wilton." (H. P. 1783)

Comes from the House having been received in that body by unan-

imous consent and referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the Senate, the bill was received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

From the House:

Bill "An Act Creating the Limestone Water and Sewer District." (H. P. 1785) (L. D. 948)

Comes from the House, having been received in that body by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

In the Senate, the bill was received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

House Committee Reports

The Committee on Judiciary on "Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for the Number of Senators," (H. P. 249) (L. D. 65) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Salaries and Fees on bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in the Lewiston Municipal Court," (H. P. 1204) (L. D. 418) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Motor Vehicles on bill "An Act Relating to Reserved Number Plates for Motor Vehicles," (H. P. 566) (L. D. 199) reported that the same ought to pass.

Comes from the House, report accepted and the bill given its three several readings, and subsequently recommitted to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

In the Senate, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Motor Vehicles in concurrence.

The Committee on Judiciary on bill "An Act Relating to Raising Money to Maintain a Hospital in Washington County," (H. P. 910) (L. D. 315) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1776) (L. D. 944) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act Relating to the Methodist Church," (H. P. 1175) (L. D. 492) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Motor Vehi-

cles on bill "An Act Permitting Revocation of Operator's License after Conviction for Manslaughter," (H. P. 935) (L. D. 325) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Public Health on bill "An Act Relating to Distribution of Patent Medicines," (H. P. 15) (L. D. 6) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on bill "An Act to Incorporate the Associated Hospital Service of Maine," (H. P. 931) (L. D. 322) reported that the same ought to pass.

Comes from the House, report read and accepted, and bill 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. House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended by House Amendment "A" was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act Relating to Medical Examiners and Their Duties," (H. P. 29) (L. D. 22) reported that the same ought to pass.

Comes from the House, report read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendments "A" and "B".

In the Senate, the report was accepted in concurrence and the bill was given its first reading. House Amendment B was read and on motion by Mr. Marden of Kennebec was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. House Amendment "A" was read and adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House Amendment "A" was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The same Committee on bill "An Act to Grant a New Charter to the City of Gardiner," (H. P. 682) (L. D. 266) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by House Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, report accepted and bill passed to be en-

grossed as amended by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate:

Mr. MARDEN of Kennebec: Mr. President, it has been brought to the attention of the Legal Affairs Committee that the form in which that measure was reported out should be corrected and for that reason may we ask, and I so move, that the matter be recommitted to the Legal Affairs Committee.

The motion prevailed and the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee on bill "An Act Relating to Assessment and Collection of Taxes," (H. P. 483) (L. D. 178) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by House Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, report accepted and bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A".

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

Referred to Committees

The following remonstrance was received and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills was referred to the Committee on Taxation:

Mr. Osgood of Oxford presented Remonstrance of Kenneth E. Dore and 110 others of Fryeburg and Vicinity Opposing any Increase in the Gasoline Tax." (S. P. 434)

Sent down for concurrence.

The following bills were transmitted from the Revisor of Statutes under Joint Order previously passed and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. Spear of Cumberland presented bill "An Act Creating a Division of Inspection and Collection in the Finance Department," (S. P. 435)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Banks and Banking

The same Senator presented bill "An Act Relating to Investments

for Trust Funds of the State." (S. P. 436)

(500 copies ordered printed.)
Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Mr. Elliot of Knox presented bill "An Act Relating to the State Police." (S. P. 437)

(500 copies ordered printed.)
Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Miss Laughlin of Cumberland, it was

ORDERED, that 1000 copies be printed of reports of recess committee (Eighty-eighth legislature); created by joint order of the Senate and House of Representatives October 28, 1937, to examine into the relations between the United States of America and the State of Maine in respect to loans or grants, et cetera.

On motion by Mr. Hill of Cumberland, it was

ORDERED that 1000 copies be printed of report of Recess Committee on Labor Relations created by Resolve Chapter 95, Laws of 1937.

Mr. Chase of Piscataquis requested unanimous consent to introduce, "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Parkman." (S. P. 441)

Thereupon the resolve was received by unanimous consent and was referred to Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Committee Reports

Miss Laughlin from the Committee on Judiciary on bill "An Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act," (S. P. 32) reported that the same ought not to pass as subject matter is covered in another bill.

Mr. Burns from the same Committee on bill "An Act Relative to Joint Control by Sureties," (S. P. 139) (L. D. 120) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Findlen from the Committee on Agriculture on bill "An Act Relating to the Proper Branding of Potatoes," (S. P. 310) (L. D. 580)

reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Owen from the Committee on Education on bill "An Act Relating to the Regrouping of School Unions," (S. P. 108) (L. D. 77) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Elliot from the Committee on Public Health on bill "An Act Relating to the Qualifications, Residence and Practice of Dentists," (S. P. 52) (L. D. 3) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Passed to be Engrossed

"Resolve Authorizing the Sale of State's Interest in Certain Lands in Township No. 17." (H. P. 2) (L. D. 1)

Bill "An Act Relating to Responsibility for Injuries by Drunken Persons." (H. P. 282) (L. D. 89)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Belfast Municipal Court Regarding Service and Return of Writs." (H. P. 505) (L. D. 159)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Belfast Municipal Court in Regard to Name of Court and as to who Shall Provide a Suitable Room in which to Hold Said Court." (H. P. 506) (L. D. 160)

"Resolve Granting Authority to the Forestry Department to Convey Certain Land to Alex J. Latno." (H. P. 585) (L. D. 931)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Printing of Ballots." (H. P. 913) (L. D. 317)

Bill "An Act Relating to Trustees and their Confirmation and Accounting in Probate Courts." (H. P. 1756) (L. D. 858)

Bill "An Act Authorizing City of Augusta to Permit Extension of Buildings over Front Street." (H. P. 1757) (L. D. 857)

Bill "An Act Relating to Political Advertisements at or Near Polling Places." (H. P. 1759) (L. D. 930)

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

Bill "An Act to Permit Charles Hayden Foundation to be and become a Limited Partner in Hayden, Stone & Co., and to Authorize said Firm to Conduct Business under Said Name." (S. P. 62) (L. D. 35)

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Enacted

An Act Relative to Game Preserve in Orrington. (S. P. 26) (L. D. 512)

An Act to Grant a New Charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College. (S. P. 50) (L. D. 429)

An Act Relating to Carrying Concealed Weapons. (S. P. 282) (L. D. 430)

An Act Relating to the Government Employees' Credit Union of Maine. (S. P. 309) (L. D. 511)

An Act Changing the Name of 'Eastern Loan Company, Inc.' to 'The M-A-C Plan, Inc. of Maine.' (H. P. 63) (L. D. 28)

An Act Repealing the Law Relating to Chauffeurs' Licenses. (H. P. 253) (L. D. 67)

An Act Relating to Exemption from Taxation. (H. P. 298) (L. D. 97)

An Act Relating to the County Treasurer of Hancock County. (H. P. 404) (L. D. 109)

An Act Relating to Clerks in the Offices of Register of Probate and Clerk of Courts in Hancock County. (H. P. 405) (L. D. 110)

An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in Somerset County. (H. P. 580) (L. D. 205)

An Act Relating to Printing on Operators' Licenses. (H. P. 1348) (L. D. 533)

Emergency Measure

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Surrender by Town of Marion of Its Organization." (S. P. 80) (L. D. 44)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the

affirmative vote of 26 members of the Senate and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

Emergency Measure

Bill "An Act Relating to the Reorganization of Corporations Under the National Bankruptcy Act." (H. P. 248) (L. D. 64)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

Emergency Measure

Bill "An Act to Permit the Use of Great Ponds for Certain Purposes." (H. P. 1403) (L. D. 567)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate and none opposed, was passed to be enacted.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Hill of Cumberland the Senate voted to take from the table An Act Relating to the Penalty for Keeping Unlicensed Dogs (S. P. 221) tabled by that Senator on February 2nd pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed.

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

On motion by Miss Laughlin of Cumberland

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.