

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

*Ninety-Fourth Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1949

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**HOUSE**

Thursday, January 20, 1949

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

Prayer by the Rev. Rundlett of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Advisory Committee on Budget" (S. P. 52) (L. D. 32)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve in favor of Clarence Earl Osgood, of Fryeburg (S. P. 67)

Resolve in favor of Alfred Whitehouse, of Hollis Center (S. P. 68)

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Ethel M. Rodigross, of Newburyport, Massachusetts (S. P. 69)

Resolve in favor of Lee S. Fellows of Port Jervis, New York (S. P. 70)

Resolve in favor of Fred E. Jenks of Peaks Island (S. P. 71)

Resolve in favor of Basil A. Strout, of Saugus, Massachusetts (S. P. 72)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Privilege of Newspaper and Press Association Employees from Disclosing News Sources" (S. P. 57) (L. D. 33)

Bill "An Act relating to Cost of Maintaining Patients at Hospitals for the Insane" (S. P. 58) (L. D. 34)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the

Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Provide for Authorization of Issues of Stocks, Bonds or Notes by Public Utilities and Railroads" (S. P. 59) (L. D. 35)

Bill "An Act relating to the Madison Water District and the Anson Water District" (S. P. 62) (L. D. 38)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve Authorizing the State Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Somerset County to Denistown Plantation (S. P. 61) (L. D. 37)

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

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Provide the Time for Filing Monthly Reports Relating to the Use Fuel Tax" (S. P. 60) (L. D. 36)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that free telegraph service be provided to each member and officer of the Senate and House to the number of ten messages of reasonable length, from Augusta to points within the limits of the State of Maine, and that each member and officer of the Senate and House be provided with a card, to be certified by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House; the cost of this service to be paid to the Western Union Telegraph Company at regular tariff rates (S. P. 76)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the order receive a passage in concurrence?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wight.

Mr. WIGHT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to say a few words in opposition to this order. I believe that the Legislature has never had this consideration before and it does not seem necessary. I don't believe that any of the previous Members of the Legislature have suffered because they didn't have this service. It is a small matter, to be sure, but nevertheless if we are going to save any money here, I believe that it should start in with these small items. The State already furnishes us with postage and stationery, and we also have fifty telephone calls, but the most important consideration seems to be our relations with the public. It seems some of the public will, at least, misconstrue our efforts possibly and we should maintain a good relationship with our constituents back home. So, Mr. Speaker, I move that this order be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wight, moves that the order (S. P. 76) be indefinitely postponed. As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wight, that the order be indefinitely postponed will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed, and the order was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and was sent up for concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Communication:

STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE CHAMBER  
January 19, 1949

Honorable Harvey R. Peace  
Clerk of the House  
State House  
Sir:

Pursuant to Joint Order, rela-

tive to Need for Revision of the Constitution of the State of Maine (H. P. 17) which was passed in concurrence in the Senate on January 18th, 1949, the President appointed on the part of the Senate, the following members:

Senators: HASKELL of Penobscot

BARNES of Aroostook  
COBB of Oxford

Respectfully,

(Signed) Chester T. Winslow,  
Secretary

The Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

From the Senate:

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Mileage reporting a Joint Order (S. P. 24) and recommending its passage which was indefinitely postponed in the House on January 13th in non-concurrence.

Came from the Senate with that body insisting on its former action whereby the Report was accepted and the Order was passed, and asking for a Committee of Conference, with the following Conferees appointed on its part:

Messrs. HASKELL of Penobscot  
NOYES of Hancock  
DENNY of Lincoln

In the House: On motion by Mr. McGlaufflin, of Portland, the House voted to insist on its former action and join in a Committee of Conference.

The Chair appointed as members on such Committee:

Messrs. McGLAUFFLIN of Portland  
WOODWORTH of Fairfield  
CHASE of Cape Elizabeth

#### Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

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

Bill "An Act for the Assessment of a State Tax for the year Nine-

them Hundred Forty-Nine and for the year Nineteen Hundred Fifty. (H. P. 250) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Claims

Resolve in favor of Mary E. Turner, of Mapleton (H. P. 251) (Presented by Mr. Bearce of Caribou)

Resolve in favor of Luther Snell of Hammond Plantation. (H. P. 252) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Keith L. Grass of Oxbow. (H. P. 253) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Harold Lane of Sherman Mills (H. P. 254) (Presented by Mr. Boulter of Stacyville)

Resolve in favor of Holbert Noyes, of Patten (H. P. 255) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Patrick Landry of Millinocket. (H. P. 256) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Floyd Pratt of Troy (H. P. 257) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

Resolve in Favor of Lemuel Morrell of Limestone (H. P. 258) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

Resolve in favor of Bangor Hydro-Electric Company, Bar Harbor (H. P. 259) (Presented by Mr. Dufresne of Bar Harbor)

Resolve in favor of Howe C. Smith of Salisbury Cove. (H. P. 260) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Basil Clements, of Winterport (H. P. 261) (Presented by Mr. Foley of Winterport)

Resolve in favor of Austin A. Towle of Winterport (H. P. 262) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Wallace McQuarrie, of Millinocket (H. P. 263) (Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket)

Resolve in favor of Henery Cormier, of Lewiston (H. P. 264) (Presented by Mr. Gauvin of Lewiston)

Resolve in favor of Edward Faulkner, of Lincoln (H. P. 265) (Presented by Mr. House of Lincoln)

Resolve in favor of Leo Tinkham

of Passadumkeag (H. P. 266) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Thomas Musher, of Lincoln (H. P. 267) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Dr. G. M. Dorman, of Lincoln (H. P. 268) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Roscoe Moore, of Saponac (H. P. 269) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of William C. Brehaut, of Lincoln Center (H. P. 270) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Herbert Lyons, of Burlington (H. P. 271) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Jane M. and Cora B. Little, of Richmond. (H. P. 272) (Presented by Mr. Jones of Bowdoinham)

Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Bowdoinham for Supplies Furnished to George Lammers (H. P. 273) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Joseph F. Morin of Augusta. (H. P. 274) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

Resolve in favor of C. B. Mitchell of Wilton. (H. P. 275) (Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Wilton)

Resolve in favor of Walter G. Miele, of North Edgecomb. (H. P. 276) (Presented by Mr. Palmer of Nobleboro)

Resolve in favor of Harriet Dennison, of Freeport. (H. P. 277) (Presented by Mr. Patterson of Freeport)

Resolve in favor of Sherman Simmons, of Warren. (H. P. 278) (Presented by Mr. Payson of Union)

Resolve in favor of Ernest C. Ober, of Northeast Harbor. (H. P. 279) (Presented by Mr. Phillips of Southwest Harbor)

Resolve in Favor of Ernest C. Ober of Northeast Harbor (H. P. 280) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Frank Pierce, of Portland (H. P. 281) (Presented by Mr. Spear of South Portland)

Resolve in favor of Gordon Winslow of Southport. (H. P. 282) (Presented by Mr. Stevens of Boothbay)

Resolve in favor of Clinton L. Brackett of Boothbay Harbor. (H. P. 283) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

(On motion by Miss Longstaff, of Crystal, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.)

#### **Inland Fisheries and Game**

Bill "An Act Relating to Hunting and Fishing Licenses for Certain Persons" (H. P. 284) (Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Wilton)

(Ordered printed.)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at John's Pond in Davis Plantation (H. P. 285) (Presented by Mr. Carville of Stratton)

Resolve to Open Third Debscon-eag Lake in T. 1, R. 10 and T. 2, R. 10, Piscataquis County to Ice Fishing. (H. P. 286) (Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket)

Resolve to Open First Debscon-eag Lake in T. 2, R. 10, Piscataquis County to Ice Fishing. (H. P. 287) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Closing Certain Ponds in Piscataquis County to Fishing. (H. P. 288) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Closing Sandy Stream Pond in T. 3, R. 9, Piscataquis County to All Fishing. (H. P. 289) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Salt Pond in the Towns of Friendship and Cushing. (H. P. 290) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Forest Lake in the Town of Friendship, Knox County. (H. P. 291) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Closing Salt Pond in the Towns of Friendship and Cushing to Ice Fishing. (H. P. 292) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Interior Waters**

Resolve Changing Name of Unity Pond to Lake Winnecook. (H. P.

293) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Judiciary**

Bill "An Act Establishing the Limestone Municipal Court" (H. P. 294) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Special Guardians for Minors. (H. P. 295) (Presented by Mr. Campbell of Augusta)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of Franco American Oblate Fathers" (H. P. 296) (Presented by Mr. Dufresne of Bar Harbor by request)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Joint Bank Accounts" (H. P. 297) (Presented by Mrs. Fay of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Service on Foreign Corporations" (H. P. 298) (Presented by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Legal Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Troy School District" (H. P. 299) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Enlarging the Powers of the West Paris Village Corporation" (H. P. 300) (Presented by Mr. Eastman of Paris)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Motor Vehicles**

Bill "An Act to Require Stop Lights on School Buses." (H. P. 321) (Presented by Mr. Taylor of Lyman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Pensions**

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Arthur J. Haskell of Garland. (H. P. 301) (Presented by Mr. Campbell of Garland)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Joseph W. True, of Garland (H. P. 302) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Beulah Louise Ladd, of Cape Rosier (H. P. 303) (Presented by Mr. Clapp of Brooklin)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in Retirement Pension for Harry H. Watson of Prospect. (H. P. 304) (Presented by Mr. Foley of Winterport)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Berdiana Foster, of Ridlonville. (H. P. 305) (Presented by Mr. Marble of Dixfield)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Almon Y. Stevens of Augusta (H. P. 306) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Everett Ervine, of Damariscotta (H. P. 307) (Presented by Mr. Palmer of Nobleboro)

Resolve for State Pension for Carroll E. Patrick of Buxton (H. P. 308) (Presented by Mr. Taylor of Lyman)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Public Health

Bill "An Act Relating to the Use of Electrolysis in Beauty Culture" (H. P. 309) (Presented by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Salaries and Fees

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the County Treasurer of Penobscot County" (H. P. 310) (Presented by Mr. Boulrier of Stacyville)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Testing of Water Supplies for Public Schools" (H. P. 311) (Presented by Mr. Campbell of Garland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Travel Reimbursement for Members of the Legislature" (H. P. 312) (Presented by Mr. Dow of Falmouth)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in Office of Clerk of Courts in Kennebec County" (H. P. 313)

(Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Clerk of Courts in Kennebec County" (H. P. 314) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Clerical Assistance for Active Retired Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court" (H. P. 315) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in County Offices in Sagadahoc County" (H. P. 316) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Topsham)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act Relating to Taking of Clams in Ogunquit Village Corporation" (H. P. 317) (Presented by Mr. Wormwood of Wells)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Taxation

Bill "An Act Relating to Road Tax on Motor Carriers" (H. P. 318) (Presented by Mr. Fitch of Sebago)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Taxation of Personal Property" (H. P. 319) (Presented by Mr. Spear of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Welfare

Bill "An Act Relating to Age Requirement for Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 320) (Presented by Mr. Gauvin of Lewiston)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Ways and Bridges

Bill "An Act Relating to Use of the Town Road Improvement Fund" (H. P. 216) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Gasoline Tax." (H. P. 245) (Presented by same gentleman)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of New Gloucester. (H. P. 217) (Presented by Mr. Bennett of Raymond, Cumberland County)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Troy. (H. P. 218) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Brooks. (H. P. 219) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Jackson. (H. P. 220) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Thorndike. (H. P. 221) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Unity. (H. P. 222) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Burnham. (H. P. 223) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Van Buren. (H. P. 224) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Grand Isle. (H. P. 225) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Garland. (H. P. 226) (Presented by Mr. Campbell of Garland)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Woodstock. (H. P. 227) (Presented by Mr. Eastman of South Paris)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Bowdoinham. (H. P. 228) (Presented by Mr. Jones of Bowdoinham)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Richmond. (H. P. 229) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Skowhegan. (H. P. 230) (Presented by Mr. Lessard of Skowhegan)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Skowhegan. (H. P. 231) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Edgecomb. (H. P. 232) (Presented by Mr. Palmer of Nobleboro)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Edgecomb. (H. P. 233) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Bremen. (H. P. 234) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Freeport. (H. P. 235) (Presented by Mr. Patterson of Freeport)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Washington. (H. P. 236) (Presented by Mr. Payson of Union)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Perham. (H. P. 237) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Woodland)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Woodland. (H. P. 238) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of New Sweden. (H. P. 239) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Naples. (H. P. 240) (Presented by Mr. Prince of Harpswell)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Hollis. (H. P. 241) (Presented by Mr. Taylor of Lyman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Lyman. (H. P. 242) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Buxton. (H. P. 243) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Dayton. (H. P. 244) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Alna. (H. P. 246) (Presented by Mr. Johnston of Jefferson)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Jefferson. (H. P. 247) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Cushing. (H. P. 248) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Friendship. (H. P. 249) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Monroe. (H. P. 322) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity)

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Swanville. (H. P. 323) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

The following paper from the Senate was taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 25, 1949, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon (S. P. 94).



Came from the Senate, in that body read and passed.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the order receive passage?

Call of "No."

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of the passage of the order will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the order received a passage in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair wishes to take the opportunity available at this time to state that it seems both probable and desirable that next week the House will continue in session into Friday. This announcement is made in order that the Members may plan accordingly.

Mr. McGLAUF LIN, of Portland:  
Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. McGLAUF LIN: Mr. Speaker, I was going to move that we take a recess for five minutes. I expect another order from the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, moves that the House do now recess for five minutes. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

#### After Recess — 10:35 A. M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The following paper from the Senate was taken up out of order under suspension of the rules:

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature, on Joint Order (S. P. 24) Relative to Reimbursement of Traveling Expenses of Members of the Ninety-Fourth Legislature, reporting that the Senate recede from its former action whereby said Order (S. P. 24) received passage, and indefinitely postponed the order in concurrence, and that the following Joint Order (S. P. 77) accompany-

ing the report receive passage; and that the House concur with the Senate in the passage of Joint Order (S. P. 77).

ORDERED, the House concurring, that each member of the Legislature be paid five cents (5c) per mile from his residence to Augusta and return, once each week of the Legislative sessions. Payments shall be made in accordance with mileage list certified by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. (S. P. 77)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. HASKELL of Penobscot

NOYES of Hancock

DENNY of Lincoln

—Committee on part  
of Senate

McGLAUF LIN of Portland

WOODWORTH of Fairfield

CHASE of Cape Elizabeth

—Committee on part  
of House.

Came from the Senate with the report read and accepted and the Order (S. P. 77) read and passed.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the acceptance of the Report.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin.

Mr. McGLAUF LIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I still maintain that the Members of this Legislature are entitled to ten cents a mile for their travel both ways. I introduced a bill that would give you that ten cents a mile. You heard my contention last week that there was no law necessary, but the Attorney General's Department did not agree with me. In order to make that effective, it would be necessary for final enactment to have a two-thirds vote. When we passed that bill for the first, second, and third reading and passed it to be engrossed, twenty-four Members of this House changed their vote from what they had indicated a few days before and we lacked at that vote twenty-four of having a two-thirds vote.

There was a feeling among quite a number of the Members of this Legislature that perhaps the people had not understood what they voted on in amending the Constitution and there seemed to be quite a strong feeling among the Members that they would be satisfied if they got five cents a mile straight across the board going to and from their homes.

In this order that has now been agreed upon by the Conference Committee the mileage is to be paid each week. You haven't got to render any account to anybody. That, to me, was the most objectionable part.

Now, I want to point out to you that in passing this order you are giving to the State of Maine—giving back—one-half of what you would be entitled to. The people of this State ought to be proud of the Legislature that voluntarily gives up such a right.

I move, Mr. Speaker, that the report of the committee be accepted and the order receive passage.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the report of the committee be accepted? As many as are in favor of acceptance of the report will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and the report of the committee was accepted.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read the Order.

ORDERED, the House concurring, that each Member of the Legislature be paid five cents (5c) per mile from his residence to Augusta and return once each week of the Legislative Session. Payments shall be made in accordance with the mileage lists certified by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House (S. P. 74).

This Order was today read and passed in the Senate.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the order receive a passage in concurrence?

As many as are in favor of the passage of the order in concurrence will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and the Order received passage in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time will lay before the House the first item of unfinished business being Bill "An Act Relating to Travel Expense for Members of the Legislature" (H.P. No. 138), tabled on January 19th by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin, pending motion of the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, to reconsider passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for today.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin. Mr. McGLAUFFLIN: Mr. Speaker, I now request that the motion of the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, for reconsideration of this measure prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow, that the House reconsider the action taken whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed. As many as are in favor of reconsideration will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin.

Mr. McGLAUFFLIN: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this bill be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin, now moves that this bill be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: My only motive for reconsideration of this matter was that I felt that it was of sufficient importance, involving some \$75,000 or \$80,000, to be referred to a committee rather than to be passed under suspension of

the rules. The gentleman from Portland, (Mr. McGlaulin) having kindly conceded that point, I second his motion. Thank you, sir.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, that House Paper 138 be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: At this time, pursuant to the Joint Order passed earlier in the morning, the Chair will appoint on the part of the House the following Members on the Joint Committee to study

the need for revision of the Constitution of the State of Maine.

The Members from the House are as follows:

Messrs. CHASE of Cape Elizabeth  
CAMPBELL of Augusta  
BROWN of Unity  
SARGENT of Bucksport  
Mrs. FAY of Portland  
Messrs. MUSKIE of Waterville  
TYLER of Farmington

The SPEAKER: If there be no further matters of business, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Webber, of Bangor,

Adjourned until Tuesday, January 25, 1949, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.