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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

Ninety-Fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1949

DAILY KENNEBEC JOURNAL AUGUSTA, MAINE

SENATE

Tuesday, January 11, 1949. The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Merle E. Golding of Augusta.

Journal of Thursday, January 6, 1949, read and approved.

Communication

STATE OF MAINE

Director of Legislative Research Augusta

January 3, 1949 To Honorable Chester T. Winslow Secretary of the Senate of the

94th Legislature In accordance with subsection IX of section 26 of chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, I hereby submit the report of the Director of Legislative Research.

In preparation for the next revision, all public laws passed by the 92nd and 93rd Legislatures were allocated to the Revised Statutes by the office of the Director of Legislative Research either in the original draft or in the course of legislative procedure. It is suggested that all bills be looked over by this office before presentation to the Legislature so that uniformity of procedure may be continued to avoid confusion and to permit a continuity between revisions of our laws.

All laws passed by the last Legislature have been incorporated into a report and filed with the secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of subsection VIII of section 26 of chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes.

is estimated that the 92nd Legislature in special session and the 93rd Legislature in regular session enacted public laws, exclusive of those dealing with the inland fish and game laws and the sea and shore fisheries laws, which add about 55 pages to the next volume of the Revised Statutes. Since the 92nd Legislature in regular session passed public laws which will add about 83 more pages to the next revision, the total number of pages added by the last two legislatures will be about 138. This addition

does not include the sea and shore fisheries laws which will probably not be printed in the next revision as the 93rd legislature by enactment authorized a biennial revision of such laws.

In preparation for the next revision, innumerable cross-references and new captions have been added Footnotes the 1944 revision. to the Maine Constitution and the Revised Statutes have been made of all of the Maine Reports, including Volume 141. Revision bills, including a new mechanical revision of the Maine Unemployment Law and the so-called omnibus bill, will be introduced. Many separate revision and clarification bills, particularly dealing with the several departments, will be presented to the Legislature for its consideration.

In order to facilitate the work of the Legislature, this office sent letters to each administrative department and each member of the present Legislature urging the use of the available facilities of the office in the preparation of bills to be introduced. A great deal of progress was made as over 350 acts and resolves were drafted before the Legislature was convened and it is hoped that such cooperation may be continued and extended in the future.

Respectfully.

SAMUEL H. SLOSBERG Director of Legislative Research Which was read and ordered placed on file.

Communication

STATE OF MAINE

Department of the Attorney General Augusta

January 5, 1949 To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Ninety-fourth Legislature:

Pursuant to Article V, Part 4, section 2 of the Constitution, I am transmitting herewith two bonds of the Honorable Frank S. Carpenter, Treasurer of State, each in the amount of \$75,000, one written by the Standard Accident Insurance Company of Detroit, Michigan, bearing date December 27, 1948, and the other written by Maine Bonding and Casualty Company of Portland, Maine, bearing date November 24, 1948, and each being payable to the State of Maine.

These bonds bear my approval as to form and I recommend them for approval by the Legislature.

Respectfully yours,

RALPH W. FARRIS

Attorney General (S. P. 21)
Which communication and accompanying bonds were read and ordered placed on file with the State Auditor.

Sent to the House.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the two bonds of the Honorable Frank S. Carpenter, Treasurer of State, each in the amount of \$75,000, one written by the Standard Accident Insurance Company of Detroit, Michigan, bearing date December 27, 1948, and the other written by Maine Bonding and Casualty Company of Portland, Maine, bearing date November 24, 1948, and each being payable to the State of Maine, and each bearing the certificate of approval of the Attorney General, be and hereby are approved. (S. P. 22) Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis, it was,

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide each Senator who was not a member of the 93rd Legislature, with a copy of the 1944 Revised Statutes.

On motion by Mr. Allen of Cumberland, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the members of the Senate and House as advance on account of compensation established by statute, the amount of eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) fortnightly, according to lists certified to the State Controller by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House respectively; and that the final pay rolls bear the approval

of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. (S. P. 23)

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot. it was

ORDERED, that all petitions, memorials, papers, bills and resolves shall be deposited in the Senate hopper by one o'clock P. M. of each day in order to be introduced and received in the Senate on the following Legislative day.

Senate Committee Reports:

Mr. Haskell from the joint select committee on mileage to which was referred the problem of reimbursing the members of the legislature for expense of traveling to the legislature and returning therefrom, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the accompanying joint order and recommend its passage.

Which report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Joint Order

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the members of the 94th legislature be reimbursed for their actual expenses of traveling to the legislature and returning therefrom once in each week of the session. Such reimbursement shall be for the actual travel expense but shall not exceed 5c per mile. Whenever such travel is by automobile, it shall be the reasonably direct route between the member's place of abode and the state capitol.

Each member of the Senate shall file with the Secretary of the Senate, and each member of the House of Representatives shall file with the Clerk of the House, at the end of each calendar month of the session, a travel expense account signed by the member.

Each travel expense account must be countersigned by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House or by their duly authorized agents. (S. P. 24)

(On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, tabled pending passage.)

Orders of the Day

The PRESIDENT: Under Orders of the Day, the Chair will announce the appointment of Earland R. Jordan as Folder of the Senate.

The President announced the following members of the Standing Committees of the Senate:

COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE On Bills in Second Reading

Senators:

BARNES of Aroostook BROWN of Washington BOWKER of Cumberland McKUSICK of Piscataquis

On Engrossed Bills

Senators:

CROSBY of Franklin
GOODWIN of York
BATCHELDER of York
ALLEN of Cumberland
DENNY of Lincoln
SLOCUM of Cumberland
SAVAGE of Somerset
SMART of Hancock
NOYES of Hancock
BAKER of Kennebec
EDWARDS of Oxford
BOUTIN of Androscoggin

On Interstate Cooperation Commission

Senators:

HOPKINS of Kennebec SLEEPER of Knox

The Chair The PRESIDENT: would like to point out to the members of the Senate, the fact that in the possession of the Director of Research, Mr. Slosberg, there are several hundred bills which have been prepared for the different members of the legislature and it would be well, I think, if those who have bills in their possession, will see that they are dropped in the hopper. It would be helpful in speeding up the legislative machinery. It would also be helpful if committee chairmen would meet as soon as may be and organize their different committees.

Mr. SLOCUM of Cumberland: Mr. President, for the information of the members of the Senate, it is my intention to remove from the table tomorrow morning, the order with reference to travel pay. This will give the members of the Senate an opportunity to consider the report of the committee tonight.

On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.