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SENATE

Tuesday, February 1, 1949.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Elmer Colcord of Gardiner.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair notes in the Senate, the presence of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boutin, and the Chair requests the Minority Floor Leader, Senator Boucher, to conduct Senator-elect Boutin to the Governor so that he may be sworn in and may take his seat among us.

Thereupon, Senator-elect Ernest A. Boutin was escorted to the office of the Governor by Senator Boucher of Androscoggin.

The PRESIDENT: Before going on with the order of business, we will await the return of Senator Boucher. It will probably be only a few minutes.

Subsequently Senator Boucher returned with the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boutin, and reported that that Senator had been duly sworn into office by His Excellency, the Governor.

Senator Boutin assumed his seat in the Senate, amid the applause of the Senate.

Journal of Friday, January 28, 1949, read and approved.

From the House

Bill "An Act Relating to Deer Hunting in Stonington and Deer Isle." (H. P. 569) (L. D. 170)

Bill "An Act Relating to Hunting and Fishing Licenses for Persons Over Sixty-Five Years of Age." (H. P. 570) (L. D. 171)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

"Resolve Changing the Name of Number Three Pond." (H. P. 574) (L. D. 172)

Which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Housing and Redevelopment." (H. P. 575) (L. D. 173)

Bill "An Act Relating to North Knox Agricultural and Horticultural Society." (H. P. 576) (L. D. 174)

Bill "An Act Relating to Unclassified Importer of Cigarettes and Tobacco Products." (H. P. 577) (L. D. 175)

Bill "An Act Limiting the Filing of Proof of Financial Responsibility." (H. P. 578) (L. D. 176)

(On motion by Mr. Bowker of Cumberland, tabled pending reference to a committee)

Bill "An Act Relating to Liens for Architects and Engineers." (H. P. 579) (L. D. 177)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Prentiss School District." (H. P. 580) (L. D. 178)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Carroll School District." (H. P. 581) (L. D. 179)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Liberalizing the Beneficiary Limitation on Fraternal Insurance." (H. P. 582) (L. D. 180)

Which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Files and Records in the Division of Veterans' Affairs." (H. P. 583) (L. D. 181)

Which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Issuance of Dealer's Registration." (H. P. 586) (L. D. 188)

Which was referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salaries of Certain County Officials in Knox County." (H. P. 599) (L. D. 182)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Commissioner of Labor

and Industry." (H. P. 600) (L. D. 183)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Secretary of State." (H. P. 601) (L. D. 184)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking of Clams in Cobscook River in the Town of Edmunds." (H. P. 602) (L. D. 185)

Which was referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Sale of Liquor on Sundays." (H. P. 604) (L. D. 186)

Which was referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Providing for Bridges and Culverts on Certain Roads." (H. P. 606) (L. D. 187)

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

"Resolve Providing for Certain Repairs and Construction at the Bangor State Hospital." (H. P. 360)

"Resolve Providing for Construction of Dormitory for Female Patients at Augusta State Hospital." (H. P. 631)

"Resolve Providing for Certain Construction at the Bangor State Hospital." (H. P. 632)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

"Resolve in Favor of Oscar L. Wyman, of Orono." (H. P. 634)

"Resolve in Favor of Paul F. Goodchild of Madison." (H. P. 635)

"Resolve in Favor of Herman I. Ham of Madison." (H. P. 636)

"Resolve in Favor of Mrs. Ida Dorsey of Andover, Connecticut." (H. P. 637)

"Resolve in Favor of Earl Ettinger, of Sebago Lake." (H. P. 638)

"Resolve in Favor of Vernard I. Pierce, of Bingham." (H. P. 639)

"Resolve in Favor of Doris L. Young of Palermo." (H. P. 640)

"Resolve in Favor of Henry Beau-doin, of Limerick." (H. P. 641)

"Resolve in Favor of Daniel B. Lord, of Kezar Falls." (H. P. 642)

"Resolve in Favor of Mrs. William Kirk, of Eagle Lake." (H. P. 643)

"Resolve in Favor of Paul Wadsworth, of Hiram." (H. P. 644)

"Resolve in Favor of Harry J. Welch of Gorham." (H. P. 645)

"Resolve in Favor of Kenneth E. Stoddard of Boothbay." (H. P. 646)

"Resolve in Favor of Philip N. Whittaker, of Bangor." (H. P. 647)

"Resolve in Favor of Frederick C. Osgood, of Cumberland." (H. P. 648)

"Resolve in Favor of Susan M. Osgood, of Cumberland." (H. P. 649)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

"Resolve in Favor of Limington Academy." (H. P. 650)

"Resolve in Favor of Parsonsfield Seminary." (H. P. 651)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Gay Brook in the County of Cumberland." (H. P. 653)

"Resolve Closing East Pond Stream to All Fishing." (H. P. 654)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

"Resolve in Favor of Merton Verrill, of Mechanic Falls." (H. P. 665)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for John Dean; of Fort Fairfield." (H. P. 666)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Albridge Raymond Ranks, of Randolph." (H. P. 667)

"Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Daniel McCurdy, of Weeks Mills." (H. P. 668)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Edgar Jandreau, of St. Francis." (H. P. 669)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for George R. Boyce, of Hermon." (H. P. 670)

"Resolve in Favor of Charles Ora Butters, of Exeter." (H. P. 671)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Stephen G. Johnson of Old Orchard Beach." (H. P. 672)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Leeds." (H. P. 676)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Webster." (H. P. 677)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Durham." (H. P. 678)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Athens." (H. P. 679)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Fort Fairfield." (H. P. 680)

"Resolve in Favor of Concord Township." (H. P. 681)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Brunswick." (H. P. 682)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Limington." (H. P. 683)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Limerick." (H. P. 684)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Parsonsfield." (H. P. 685)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Appleton." (H. P. 686)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Appleton." (H. P. 687)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Hope." (H. P. 688)

"Resolve in Favor of St. Francis Plantation." (H. P. 689)

"Resolve in Favor of New Canada Plantation." (H. P. 690)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Pownal." (H. P. 691)

"Resolve in Favor of the City of South Portland." (H. P. 692)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Boothbay." (H. P. 693)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Boothbay." (H. P. 694)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Boothbay." (H. P. 695)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Owl's Head." (H. P. 696)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Referred to Committees

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

Claims

Mr. Varney of Washington presented "Resolve in Favor of Gilbert S. Floyd of Columbia Falls." (S. P. 185)

Mr. Noyes of Hancock presented "Resolve in Favor of Everett L. Seavey, of Steuben." (S. P. 186)

Mr. Smart of Hancock presented "Resolve in Favor of Francis J. Byrne, of Cambridge, Mass." (S. P. 187)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of Forrest A. Dow, of Ellsworth." (S. P. 188)

Sent down for concurrence.

Indian Affairs

Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis presented Bill "An Act Relating to the Education of Indians on the Indian Reservations." (S. P. 189)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Labor

Mr. Collins of Aroostook presented Bill "An Act Regulating Industrial Homework." (S. P. 190)

Mr. COLLINS of Aroostook: Mr. President, I move that bill, An Act Regulating Industrial Homework (S. P. 190) be referred to the Committee on Labor. I have conferred with the members of the Committee on Reference of Bills, and it is my understanding that this will be agreeable to them.

Thereupon, the bill was referred to the Committee on Labor and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act to Provide Facilities for the Peaceful Settlement of Industrial Disputes Through Mediation." (S. P. 191)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Ward of Penobscot presented

Bill "An Act Relating to Caboose-cars Used by Railroads." (S. P. 192)
(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation for State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation." (S. P. 193)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Varney of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to Consignment of Fish, Lobsters and Shellfish." (S. P. 194)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

Mr. Ward of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Relating to Excise Tax on Bicycles With Motor Attached." (S. P. 195)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

Mr. Crosby of Franklin presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Freeman." (S. P. 196)

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to a Non-resident Fishing License." (S. P. 126) (L. D. 147)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Bowker of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Lim-

iting the Filing of Proof of Financial Responsibility (H. P. 578) (L. D. 176) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Baker of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Mining (H. P. 487) (L. D. 162) tabled by that Senator on January 28 pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining in concurrence.

Mr. Crosby of Franklin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. CROSBY of Franklin: Mr. President, yesterday there was quite a group of us that heard a lot of discussion by the public and representatives of organizations in regard to taxation in the State of Maine. This morning we have on our desks a report from the Legislative Research Committee on state taxation systems throughout the United States and their comparisons.

This seems to me to be an exceptionally fine report with a lot of information in it and I would recommend the reading and study of this report by every Senator.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Sleeper of Knox Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.