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SENATE

Thursday, February 3, 1949 The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Herman Delaney of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

From the House

Bill "An Act Relating to Disability Retirement Benefits in State Retirement System Law." (H. P. 703) (L. D. 249)

Bill "An Act Changing Name of Retirement System to 'Maine State Retirement System'." (H. P. 704) (L. D. 250)

Bill "An Act Relating to Pedestrians on Ways." (H. P. 705) (L. D. 251)

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

"Resolve Relating to Transfer of Certain Records of State Employees' Retirement System." (H. P. 706) (L. D. 252)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Unfired Pressure Vessels." (H. P. 707) (L. D. 253)

Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Women and Minors." (H. P. 708) (L. D. 254)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to the Rockland School District." (H. P. 709) (L. D. 255)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire in the Office of Register of Probate in Cumberland County." (H. P. 714) (L. D. 256)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Portland Municipal Court." (H. P. 715) (L. D. 257) Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Recorder of the Portland Municipal Court." (H. P. 716) (L. D. 258)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of Clerks in the Office of Recorder of the Portland Municipal Court." (H. P. 717) (L. D. 259)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Judge of Probate in Cumberland County." (H. P. 718) (L. D. 260)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Probate in Cumberland County." (H. P. 719) (L. D. 261)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Lobster Licenses." (H. P. 720) (L. D. 262)

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

"Resolve Reimbursing the Eastern Maine General Hospital, of Bangor, for Certain Claims." (H. P. 729)

"Resolve in Favor of Oscar Walker, of Bangor." (H. P. 730)

"Resolve in Favor of Benjamin H. Jones, of Woodland." (H. P. 731)

"Resolve in Favor of Joseph M. Martin, of Van Buren." (H. P. 732)

"Resolve in Favor of Prentiss Plantation." (H. P. 733)

"Resolve in Favor of Stanley Crawford, of Albion." (H. P. 734) "Resolve in Favor of Leslie W.

"Resolve in Favor of Leslie W. Wildes, of No. Kennebunkport." (H. P. 735)

"Resolve in Favor of Katherine E. Marshall, of York Village." (H. P. 736)

"Resolve in Favor of Eugene Jorgensen, of South Windham." (H. P. 737)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Phillips." (H. P. 738)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Phillips." (H. P. 739)

"Resolve in Favor of Lawrence L. Felt, of Whitefield." (H. P. 740)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Waterford." (H. P. 741)

"Resolve in Favor of Ralph A. Gallagher of Damariscotta." (H. P. 742) Which were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

"Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for John Wells, Sr., of Castle Hill." (H. P. 750)

"Resolve Providing for a State Pension for Gladys Bean, of Clinton." (H. P. 751)

"Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Ethel Merry, of Waldoboro." (H. P. 752)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Clara Nye, of Newburg." (H. P. 753)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for James Bickford, of Newburg." (H. P. 754)

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

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Caribou." (H. P. 769)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of New Limerick." (H. P. 770)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Littleton." (H. P. 771)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Oakfield." (H. P. 772)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Ludlow." (H. P. 773)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Smyrna." (H. P. 774)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Merrill." (H. P. 775)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Dyer Brook." (H. P. 776)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Mars Hill." (H. P. 777)

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"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Dexter." (H. P. 779)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Windham." (H. P. 780)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Benton." (H. P. 781)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Clinton." (H. P. 782)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Albion." (H. P. 783)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Benton." (H. P. 784)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Standish." (H. P. 785) "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Standish." (H. P. 786)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Old Orchard Beach." (H. P. 787)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of York." (H. P. 788)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of York." (H. P. 789)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of North Kennebunkport." (H. P. 790)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Orrington." (H. P. 791)

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"Resolve in Favor of Moose River Plantation." (H. P. 794)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Bowdoin." (H. P. 795)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Georgetown." (H. P. 796)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Litchfield." (H. P. 797)

"Resolve in Favor of Winterville Plantation." (H. P. 798)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Eagle Lake." (H. P. 799)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Nobleboro." (H. P. 800)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Dresden." (H. P. 801)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Temple." (H. P. 802)

- "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Woolwich." (H. P. 803)
- "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Phippsburg." (H. P. 804)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of West Bath." (H. P. 805)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Arrowsic." (H. P. 806)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Woolwich." (H. P. 807)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Phippsburg." (H. P. 808)

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

House Committee Report

The Committee on Ways and Bridges on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Medway," (H. P. 74) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, in concurrence, the re-

solve read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Referred to Committees

The following bills and resolves were received and on recommendation by the Committee on Ref-erence of Bills, were referred to the following committees.

Agriculture

Mr. Denny of Lincoln presented Bill "An Act Relating to an Institutional Farm Supervisor." (S. P. 219)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. Bowker of Cumberland presented "Resolve Transferring Moneys from Employees' Retirement Fund to General Fund." (S. P. 220)

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Relating to Permanent State Trust Funds." (S. P. 221)

Mr. Leavitt of Cumberland presented "Resolve Providing for Furnishing and Operating New Dormitories at the Pownal State School." (S. P. 232)

The same Senator presented "Resolve Providing for Purchase and Installation of Auxiliary Heating Equipment at the Pownal State School." (S. P. 233) (Each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Banks and **Banking**

Mr. Bowker of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to Inactive Savings Deposits in Banks." (S. P. 222)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Claims

Mr. Brewer of Aroostook pre-sented "Resolve in Favor of Lyle Wheeler, of Presque Isle." (S. P. 223)

Mr. Sleeper of Knox presented "Resolve in Favor of William F. Rokes, of Belfast." (S. P. 245)

The same Senator presented

"Resolve in Favor of Domenic Cuccinello, of Rockland." (S. P. 246)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of Robert G. Spaulding, of Thomaston." (S. P. 247)

Mr. Cobb of Oxford presented "Resolve in Favor of Myrtle Keefe, of Fryburg." (S. P. 248)

Sent down for concurrence.

Education

Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis presented "Resolve in Favor of Monson Academy." (S. P. 224)

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Mr. Larrabee of Sagadahoc presented "Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Cathance Stream and Bradley Pond." (S. P. 225)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

Mr. Ward of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Guardians for Adults, and Conservators." (S. P. 226)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to the Penobscot Log Driving Company," (S. P. 227)

(Each ordered printed.) Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Cobb of Oxford presented Bill "An Act Relating to Plumbing." (S. P. 228)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Pensions

McKusick of Mr. Piscataguis presented "Resolve to Repeal State Pension for Myrtle Ingalls of Anson." (S. P. 229)

same Senator The presented "Resolve to Repeal State Pension for Joseph Duperry, of Fairfield." (S. P. 230)

The presented same Senator "Resolve to Repeal State Pension for Fred Jacques, of Van Buren." (S. P. 231)

Sent down for concurrence.

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Pownal State School

Mr. Leavitt of Cumberland presented "Resolve Providing for Purchase of Property Adjacent to Pownal State School." (S. P. 234)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act to Promote the Topographic Mapping of Maine in Cooperation with the United States Geological Survey." (S. P. 235)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Mr. Cobb of Oxford presented Bill "An Act Relating to Analysis of Water." (S. P. 236)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Mr. Bowker of Cumberland presented "Resolve to Repeal Clam Cleansing Research." (S. P. 237)

Mr. Sleeper of Knox presented Bill "An Act Relating to Fish Weirs." (S. P. 250)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Regulating the Taking of Alewives in St. George River in the Town of Warren." (S. P. 251)

Sent down for concurrence.

State Lands and Forest Preservation

Mr. Cobb of Oxford presented "Resolve for Development of State Park Facilities." (S. P. 252)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

State Prison

Mr. Sleeper of Knox presented "Resolve Providing for Certain Construction at the Maine State Prison." (S. P. 253)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

Mr. Crosby of Franklin presented Bill "An Act Relating to SubJobber of Cigarettes and Tobacco Products." (S. P. 238)

Mr. Edwards of Oxford presented Bill "An Act Relating to Taxation of Musical Instruments." (S. P.254)

(Each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Brownville." (S. P. 239)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Sangerville." (S. P. 240)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Parkman." (S. P. 241)

The same Senator presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Sangerville." (S. P. 242)

Mr. Noyes of Hancock presented "Resolve in Favor of Township No. 10, Hancock County." (S. P. 243)

The same Senator presented

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Sullivan."" (S. P. 244)

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Ward from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Citizenship to Hold Office," (S. P. 82) (L. D. 70) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

Which report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Crosby from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Freeman." (S. P. 93) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, and the resolve laid upon the table for printing under the joint rules.

Mr. Ward from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Permitting the Presidential Short Ballot," (S. P. 74) (L. D. 50) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second read-ing.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to the Bangor Family Welfare Society." (H. P. 133) (L. D. 39)

Bill "An Act Relating to Pensions for Members of Police Departments for City of Bangor." (H. P. 53) (L. D. 16)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Vinalhaven Port District." (H. P. 52) (L. D. 15)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Proxies." (H. P. 50) (L. D. 13)

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Emergency Measure

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Bath." (H. P. 55) (L. D. 18)

Which bill being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative of 30 members of the Senate and none opposed was passed to be enacted.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Batchelder of York, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Amount of Aid to Dependents of Veterans (H. P. 698) (L. D. 223) tabled by that Senator on February 2 pending reference to a committee.

Mr BATCHELDER of York: Mr. President, I might say that this item was referred to the Committee on Welfare in the House, and as I understand it, it is a matter that pertains entirely to veterans. I have talked with the members of the Committee on Welfare and I believe they agree with me that this matter should go to the Committee on Military Affairs. I therefore move that this bill be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in non-concurrence.

The motion prevailed and the bill was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in non-concurrence. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Increases of Capital Stock (S. P. 208) tabled by that Senator on February 2 pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Slecum of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. SLOCUM of Cumberland: Mr. President, yesterday the Honorable Augustus Bove of Naples, who was a member of the House several times from Naples, brought to the capital, three copies of the early acts and resolves of the State of Maine. He presented me with the Acts and Resolves of 1860-1861 and the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Brewer, the Acts and Resolves of 1862.

In 1860 the Honorable Lot M. Morrill of Augusta was Governor. In 1861 Israel Washburn Junior of Orono was Governor. It is very interesting to see how times have changed, and while there are copies in the state library that go back to the beginning of our state, I will leave these two copies on my desk as it may be of interest to the members of the Senate to see what was done in Maine before the Civil War.

I consider it a very fine gesture on the part of our "Gussie" Bove as the Senators all affectionately know him, and I believe it will be of interest to the members to glance over some of the early acts of the legislature in the State of Maine.

On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.