

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE**

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The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Arthur G. Christopher of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

**From the House**

Bill "An Act Relating to the Inspection and Regulation of Dog Kennels." (H. P. 1441) (L. D. 832)

Bill "An Act Relating to Records of Persons Buying or Selling Dogs." (H. P. 1442) (L. D. 833)

Bill "An Act to Regulate Live-Stock Community or Commission Auctions." (H. P. 1443) (L. D. 877)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Funds of the Examining Board of Chiropractic Examination and Registration." (H. P. 1573) (L. D. 896)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Deposits in a Fiduciary's Personal Account." (H. P. 1574) (L. D. 897)

Which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Control the Payment of Benefits During Vacation Periods Under the Unemployment Compensation Law." (H. P. 1575) (L. D. 898)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Unemployment Compensation Law to Provide for the Imposition of Administrative Penalties for Misrepresentation in Obtaining Benefits." (H. P. 1576) (L. D. 899)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Bears." (H. P. 1261) (L. D. 662)

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Foxes, in the County of Aroostook." (H. P. 1262) (L. D. 667)

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Bears." (H. P. 1263) (L. D. 663)

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Bobcat, Loupcervier and Canada Lynx." (H. P. 1264)

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Bobcat, Loupcervier and Canada Lynx in the County of Aroostook." (H. P. 1265) (L. D. 665)

Bill "An Act Relative to Bounty on Foxes." (H. P. 1266) (L. D. 666)

Bill "An Act Relating to Closed Season on Deer in Town of Islesboro." (H. P. 1471) (L. D. 834)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fishways." (H. P. 1472) (L. D. 835)

Bill "An Act Relating to Special Dog Training and Field Trial Areas." (H. P. 1473) (L. D. 836)

Bill "An Act Relative to Hunting of Deer on Mount Desert Island." (H. P. 1474) (L. D. 838)

Bill "An Act Relative to License to Ship Deer Skins." (H. P. 1475) (L. D. 878)

Bill "An Act Relative to Careless Shooting of Human Being." (H. P. 1476) (L. D. 887)

(On motion by Mr. Wood of Penobscot, tabled pending reference to a committee.)

Bill "An Act Regulating Trapping of Fisher." (H. P. 1477) (L. D. 879)

Bill "An Act Relative to Open Season on Beaver." (H. P. 1478) (L. D. 837)

Bill "An Act Relative to Restricting Trapping on Streams and Water Courses." (H. P. 1479) (L. D. 838)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Moosehead Lake in the County of Piscataquis." (H. P. 1480) (L. D. 880)

"Resolve Providing for a Dam and Fish Screen at Outlet of Chain-of-Ponds, in the County of Franklin." (H. P. 1481) (L. D. 881)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Certain Somerset County Waters." (H. P. 1482) (L. D. 839)

"Resolve Closing the Tributaries to Great Moose Pond to Fishing." (H. P. 1483) (L. D. 840)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in and Closing Tributaries to Lake Maranacook and Narrows Pond, in the County of Kennebec." (H. P. 1484) (L. D. 841)

"Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Tacoma Lakes

Chain in the Town of Litchfield." (H. P. 1485) (L. D. 842)

"Resolve to Provide for a Fish Screen at Hot Brook Lake, in the County of Aroostook." (H. P. 1486) (L. D. 843)

"Resolve Opening Leighton Brook, Hancock County to all Fishing." (H. P. 1487) (L. D. 844)

"Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Lake Auburn in the City of Auburn." (H. P. 1488) (L. D. 845)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to the County Law Library of Penobscot County." (H. P. 1489) (L. D. 846)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Law Relating to Clerks of the Judicial Courts." (H. P. 1491) (L. D. 847)

Bill "An Act Relating to Qualifications of Voters in Primary Elections." (H. P. 1492) (L. D. 848)

Bill "An Act Relating to Inspections and Recounts in Municipal Elections." (H. P. 1493) (L. D. 849)

Bill "An Act Relating to Registration of Voters in Towns." (H. P. 1494) (L. D. 850)

Bill "An Act Relating to Acquisition or Loss of Pauper Settlement by Dependent Children." (H. P. 1495) (L. D. 851)

Bill "An Act Relating to Retirement of Justices of the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts." (H. P. 1496) (L. D. 852)

"Resolve Authorizing Completion and Printing of a Digest of the Opinions of the Law Court." (H. P. 1497) (L. D. 853)

Bill "An Act Relating to State Registered Bonds." (H. P. 1498) (L. D. 854)

"Resolve to Provide for a Refund of Contributions to Certain Teachers." (H. P. 1500) (L. D. 855)

Bill "An Act Relating to Unsatisfied Judgments Resulting from Motor Vehicle Accidents." (H. P. 1577) (L. D. 900)

Bill "An Act Giving the Newspapers Access to Records of Vital Statistics." (H. P. 1578) (L. D. 901)

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

Bill "An Act Providing for Veteran Bonus Fund for World War II Veterans and to Provide Moneys Therefor by Running Horse Races." (H. P. 1579) (L. D. 902)

(On motion by Mr. Batchelder of York, tabled pending reference to a committee.)

Bill "An Act Relating to Roadside Improvement." (H. P. 1580) (L. D. 895)

Which was referred to the Committee on Maine Publicity in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Group Life Insurance." (H. P. 1512) (L. D. 875)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to the Military Law." (H. P. 1513) (L. D. 891)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Lights on Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 1514) (L. D. 856)

Bill "An Act Relating to Dealer's Registration." (H. P. 1515) (L. D. 890)

Bill "An Act Relating to Inspection of Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 1516) (L. D. 889)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Barbering, Hairdressing and Beauty Culture." (H. P. 1225) (L. D. 876)

Bill "An Act Relating to Chiropractic Services Under the Workmen's Compensation Act." (H. P. 1581) (L. D. 903)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Examination of Applicants for the Practice of Chiropractic." (H. P. 1582) (L. D. 904)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Public Health in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Installation of Head and Rear

Lights on Track Motor Cars Operated by Railroads." (H. P. 1526) (L. D. 857)

Bill "An Act Relating to Permits for Interstate Carriers." (H. P. 1527) (L. D. 858)

Bill "An Act Relating to the State Police." (H. P. 1528) (L. D. 859)

Bill "An Act Relating to Street Openings by Public Utility Corporations." (H. P. 1529) (L. D. 860)

Bill "An Act Relating to Exemptions from Regulation of Motor Carriers." (H. P. 1583) (L. D. 905)

Bill "An Act Relating to Schedules of Rates Filed by Motor Carriers." (H. P. 1584) (L. D. 906)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Treasurer of Hancock County." (H. P. 1530) (L. D. 861)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Register of Probate of York County." (H. P. 1531) (L. D. 862)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees and Expenses of State Humane Agents." (H. P. 1532) (L. D. 863)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Houlton Municipal Court." (H. P. 1533) (L. D. 864)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Probate and Clerks in the Office of Register of Probate, Hancock County." (H. P. 1534) (L. D. 865)

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

Bill "An Act Relative to Powers of Coastal Wardens as Inland Fish and Game Wardens." (H. P. 1537) (L. D. 866)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to the Appointment of Municipal Town Forest Fire Wardens." (H. P. 1538) (L. D. 867)

Which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Imposing a Personal Income Tax and a Sales and Use Tax to Raise Additional Revenue and Equalize the Tax Burden." (H. P. 1540) (L. D. 892)

Bill "An Act Relating to Payments to Maine Forestry District in Lieu of Taxes for Lands Within Indian Township." (H. P. 1585) (L. D. 907)

Bill "An Act Relating to Maine Forestry District Taxes." (H. P. 1586) (L. D. 908)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Liquor Licenses in Unincorporated Places." (H. P. 1587) (L. D. 909)

Which was referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Location and Alteration of State or State Aid Highways." (H. P. 1554) (L. D. 872)

"Resolve Providing Funds to Repair a Portion of U. S. Highway Number One in Aroostook County." (H. P. 1555) (L. D. 873)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Aid to the Blind." (H. P. 1550) (L. D. 868)

Bill "An Act Relating to Aid to Dependent Children." (H. P. 1551) (L. D. 869)

Bill "An Act Relating to Requisites for Old Age Assistance." (H. P. 1552) (L. D. 870)

Bill "An Act Repealing the Requisite for Citizenship for Old Age Assistance." (H. P. 1553) (L. D. 871)

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

Bill "An Act Relative to Prosecution of Inland Fisheries and Game Laws to be Published." (S. P. 404) (L. D. 743)

(In Senate, on February 16, 1949, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.)

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ela of Somerset, the bill was laid upon the table pending consideration.

**House Committee Reports**

Majority Report of the Joint Select Committee created by Joint Order (H. P. 17) to consider need for revision of the Constitution of the State, submitted the following 6 Resolves:

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Apportion the Number of Members of the House of Representatives to the Several Towns.” (H. P. 1567)

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Change the Date of Filing Initiated Legislation.” (H. P. 1568)

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Empowering the Legislature to Authorize Municipalities to Create Indebtedness to Excess of the Present Limitation on Municipal Indebtedness.” (H. P. 1569)

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Empower the Legislature to Authorize the Issuance of State Bonds for any Purpose Stated in the Constitution.” (H. P. 1570)

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Empower the Legislature with the Consent of the People to Authorize the Issuance of State Bonds for any Purpose Stated in the Constitution.” (H. P. 1571)

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Set Forth the Duty of the State and Towns Towards Education.” (H. P. 1572)

(Signed)

Senators:

HASKELL of Penobscot  
BARNES of Aroostook  
COBB of Oxford

Representatives:

CHASE of Cape Elizabeth  
CAMPBELL of Augusta  
BROWN of Unity  
SARGENT of Bucksport

Mrs. FAY of Portland  
TYLER of Farmington

Minority Report of the same Committee:

(Signed)

Representative:

MUSKIE of Waterville.

Comes from the House, the report read and ordered placed on file, and the Resolves severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the Senate, the report was read and ordered placed on file, and the Resolves severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill “An Act Relating to Dog License Fees,” (H. P. 324) (L. D. 115) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill “An Act Relating to the Inheritance Tax,” (H. P. 478) (L. D. 153) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1566) (L. D. 771) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill in new draft read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

**Referred to Committees**

The following bills were transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order, and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following committees:

**Agriculture**

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot presented Bill “An Act Relating to the Milk Control Board.” (S. P. 476)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Mr. Denny of Lincoln presented "Resolve to Establish Working Capital for Institutional Farms." (S. P. 477)

Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec presented "Resolve Appropriating Moneys to Aid Deficits of Public and Private Hospitals." (S. P. 478)  
(Each ordered printed)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Claims**

Mr. Smart of Hancock presented "Resolve in Favor of Independent Lithograph Co., of New York City, New York." (S. P. 479)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Education**

Mr. Varney of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to Admission to Normal Schools and Teachers' Colleges." (S. P. 480)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to State Scholarships for Normal School and Teachers' College Students." (S. P. 481)  
(Each ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Federal Relations**

Mr. Sleeper of Knox presented "Memorial to Congress, re. United States v. California, Known as the Tidelands Decision." (S. P. 482)  
(Ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Relating to Ballots." (S. P. 483)  
(Ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Legal Affairs**

Mr. Sleeper of Knox presented "Resolve Authorizing Board of Examiners of Funeral Directors and Embalmers to Issue License to Arthur Andrews of Rockland." (S. P. 484)

The same Senator presented "Resolve Authorizing the Board of Commissioners of Pharmacy to Issue Certificate of Registration to Ed-

ward Laurence of Rockland." (S. P. 485)  
(Each ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Pensions**

Mr. Brewer of Aroostook presented "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Clarence S. Galleys of Ashland." (S. P. 486)

Mr. Larrabee of Sagadahoc presented "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Gertrude Lamont, of Bath." (S. P. 487)

The same Senator presented "Resolve Providing for State Pension for William Fraser, of Bath." (S. P. 488)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Sea and Shore Fisheries**

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented Bill "An Act Relating to State Owned Cars." (S. P. 489)

(On motion by Mr. Greeley of Waldo, tabled pending reference to a committee.)

Mr. Noyes of Hancock presented Bill "An Act Relating to Interstate Transportation of Shellfish." (S. P. 490)

Mr. Varney of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to the Fee for Commercial Shellfish License." (S. P. 491)  
(Each ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**State Sanatoriums**

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot presented "Resolve in Favor of Bangor Anti-Tuberculosis Association." (S. P. 492)

(Ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

**Temperance**

Mr. Hopkins of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Limitation of Liquor Licenses by Liquor Commission." (S. P. 493)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Limitation of Liquor Licenses by Towns." (S. P. 494)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Limitation of Liquor Licenses." (S. P. 495)  
(Each ordered printed.)  
Sent down for concurrence.

### Ways and Bridges

Mr. Cobb of Oxford presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Brownfield." (S. P. 496)

Mr. Greeley of Waldo presented "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Searsmont." (S. P. 497)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Order

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be printed 1000 additional copies of SENATE AND HOUSE REGISTERS. (S. P. 498)

Sent down for concurrence.

### Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Barnes from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Assistant Probation Officers and Clerk Hire for County of Washington." (S. P. 351) (L. D. 652) reported that leave be granted to withdraw same.

Mr. Ela from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Compulsory Insurance," (S. P. 259) (L. D. 390) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Noyes from the Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act Relating to Restricted Licenses," (S. P. 356) (L. D. 578) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, tabled pending acceptance of the report.)

Mr. Edwards from the Committee on Banks and Banking on Bill "An Act Relating to Inactive Savings Deposits in Banks," (S. P. 222) (L. D. 342) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Crosby from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Federal Employees' Credit Union of Maine," (S. P. 80) (L. D. 69) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Ward from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relat-

ing to Increases of Capital Stock," (S. P. 208) (L. D. 355) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Barnes from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Guardians for Adults, and Conservators," (S. P. 226) (L. D. 343) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Edwards from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Create the Phippsburg School District," (S. P. 310) (L. D. 503) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Norway School District," (S. P. 311) (L. D. 504) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Batchelder from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Enlarging the Territory of the Parsonsfield-Kezar-Falls Village Corporation," (S. P. 275) (L. D. 448) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Allen from the Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act Relating to Sirens on Automobiles of Department of Inland Fisheries and Game," (S. P. 172) (L. D. 232) reported that the same ought to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Noyes of Hancock, tabled pending assignment for second reading.)

Mr. McKusick from the Committee on Welfare on Bill "An Act Relating to Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind," (S. P. 125) (L. D. 146) 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

Bill "An Act Relating to Number of Private Detectives." (H. P. 992) (L. D. 374)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Election of a Board of Commissioners of Police for the Town of Sanford." (H. P. 924) (L. D. 376)

"Resolve Appropriating Money for the Study and Control of the Spruce Budworm." (H. P. 944) (L. D. 385)



(On motion by Mr. Crosby of Franklin, tabled pending passage to be engrossed.)

Bill "An Act to Establish Date for Arbor Day." (H. P. 1006) (L. D. 437)

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

"Resolve Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey by Sale Certain Interest of the State in Land with Buildings Thereon in Newcastle, in the County of Lincoln." (H. P. 194) (L. D. 306)

"Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Lease Certain Land in Washington County to Eastern Pulp Wood Company." (H. P. 499) (L. D. 168)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Government of the Town of Mount Desert." (H. P. 926) (L. D. 377)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Orrington School District." (H. P. 995) (L. D. 426)

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

"Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Changing the Tenure of Office of the Governor to Four-Year Terms." (S. P. 35) (L. D. 8)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Morancy Pond, in the County of Hancock." (S. P. 133) (L. D. 195)

Bill "An Act Authorizing Prepayments by the County Treasurer of Somerset County to the Law Library Association for the Purchase of Law Books." (S. P. 204) (L. D. 267)

Bill "An Act Relating to Adoption of Neglected Children." (S. P. 209) (L. D. 271)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Ward of Penobscot the Senate voted to take from the table Bill, An Act Relative to Careless Shooting of Human

Beings (H. P. 1476) (L. D. 887) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending reference.

Mr. WARD of Penobscot: Mr. President, in 1945 and again in 1947 similar legislation to this was presented to the legislature and these matters were referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and I move this bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.

The motion prevailed and the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Ela of Somerset, the Senate voted to take from the table Bill, An Act Relative to Prosecutions of Inland Fisheries and Game Laws to be Published (S. P. 404) (L. D. 743) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending consideration.

Mr. ELA of Somerset: Mr. President, I now move we recede from our former action whereby we referred this bill to the Committee on Judiciary and concur with the House by referring it to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Mr. HASKELL of Penobscot: Mr. President, as every member of the Senate realizes, I am sure, there is nothing sacred about reference by the Committee on Reference of Bills. It is only a suggestion. But I would make this simple statement on the committee's feeling on that bill, and it is this: The bill, itself, provides for a new type of penalty for violation of our inland fish and game laws by providing that the name and offense shall be publicized. It was the feeling of the committee that a bill of that type that does put onto the statutes a new type of penalty—this happens to be fish and game but it could as well be any other type of law a citizen might break—should go to one of the legal committees. We could just as well have introduced a bill that provides that all drunken driving convictions be publicized. We could have a law to provide that any other type of conviction should be publicized. It was

the thinking of the committee that when we come to that type of legislation it should have consideration by one of the legal committees.

I do not speak against the Senator from Somerset, Senator Ela's motion. I do explain the reference and I honestly believe it was a correct reference.

Mr. ELA: Mr. President, I wish to explain that the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game has no particular feeling in this matter. We simply thought it would expedite matters to recede and concur. I conferred with the chairman of the Committee on Judiciary in the matter. Neither of us has any feeling in the matter, and whatever the Senate feels is proper we are happy to accept.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is on the motion of the Senator from Somerset, Senator Ela that the Senate recede from its former action whereby the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and concur with the House in reference of the bill to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

A viva voce vote being had, the motion prevailed and the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Sleeper of Knox, the Senate voted to take from the table Resolve in Favor of Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission (S. P. 322) tabled by that Senator on February 9th pending reference.

Mr. SLEEPER of Knox: Mr. President, I wish to apologize to you and the other members of the Senate for holding up this matter. I appeared before the Appropriations Committee with a resolve in favor of Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission and that powerful committee told me if I would make the resolve larger they would favor it. They were very generous. I prepared a resolve asking for \$60,000 instead of \$15,000. I dropped the bill in the hopper and now find it is referred to my own committee, which as everyone knows is a hol-

low honor. If the Appropriations Committee doesn't favor the bill it doesn't pass. I have seen several members of this before-mentioned powerful group and they still say if the Sea and Shore Fisheries Committee will have a hearing on it and pass it they will give us the money, and I move, Mr. President, the resolve be referred, as originally intended, to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

The motion prevailed and the resolve was referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Haskell of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. HASKELL: Mr. President and members of the Senate, the last few words of the distinguished Senator from Knox, Senator Sleeper, reminds me that if all of us in the Senate who are committee chairmen would conscientiously read Joint Rule 19, I think we would greatly assist the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Those people have the broad task of advising us, recommending to us, how much money should be appropriated by this legislature with reference to general funds, and I will read to you if I may, Joint Rule 19: "The several clerks of the committees to which are referred bills, orders or resolves involving the appropriation or expenditure of money shall forthwith, upon receipt of such bills, transmit a copy thereof, carrying endorsement of reference, to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. No bill shall be in order for advertising for hearing or other procedure until such copy is so transmitted. The Appropriations Committee shall issue a printed report and tabulation of such bills weekly."

I confess my own guilt and I am sure nearly every committee chairman in the Senate shares that guilt with me, that we are not giving that information to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. I think it would greatly assist their efforts and conversely

greatly assist all the rest of us if we would carry out the intent of Joint Rule 19 because many of us have spending bills which are not referred to the Appropriations Committee, and certainly it is the only way they can assemble a rounded up summary of our financial problems. I urge the members that they do the thing provided for in Joint Rule 19. I hope in that thought the Appropriations Committee can carry out their intent, which is to tell all of us where we stand weekly with appropriations measures.

Mr. SAVAGE of Somerset: Mr. President, I'd like to concur with what the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Haskell, has said. It will facilitate matters in the Appropriations Committee as we do have all these bills before us. We are contemplating very shortly to get those bills in order so that we can give the legislature some sort of picture of just the amount of money we have, and we cannot give a picture unless the committee chairmen do give us all the bills they have in their committees which involve appropriations.

Pursuant to Joint Order, the Chair laid before the Senate, Resolve in Favor of the Town of Freeman (L. D. 356) recalled from the office of the Governor; and on motion by Mr. Crosby of Franklin, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be enacted; and on further motion by the same Senator under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Crosby of Franklin, the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SLOCUM of Cumberland: Mr. President, I wish to inquire whether an act relative to legislation for amputee veterans has come over from the House?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that it is not in the possession of the Senate at the moment.

Mr. SLOCUM: Mr. President, this is an emergency measure which would aid the amputee veterans in registering their vehicles without cost. These vehicles having been presented to the disabled veterans by the federal government. The dead line for registration is March 1st. It is my understanding that the House is planning to suspend its rules and give this measure its several readings today in order that the bill may be sent to the Senate in time to be acted upon today for passage to be engrossed, thus giving us an opportunity to pass it to be enacted tomorrow in both branches of the legislature and send it to the governor. I don't know whether a request for a recess is in order but I believe that the House is planning such action on this emergency measure which would aid the amputee veterans and I request information from the Chair as to the proper procedure, believing this is going to pass the House and be sent forthwith to the Senate today.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the Senate may be at ease while the whereabouts of the bill are ascertained.

Mr. SLOCUM: Thank you, Mr. President.

#### From the House

Out of order, and under suspension of the rules:

The Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Registration for Amputee Veterans," (H. P. 841) (L. D. 336)

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Licenses for Amputee Veterans." (H. P. 929) (L. D. 402)

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read once, and on motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland under suspension of the rules read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. SLOCUM of Cumberland: Mr. President, I appreciate the consideration of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Sirens on Automobiles of Department of Inland Fisheries and Game (S. P. 172) (L. D. 232) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending assignment for second reading; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, An Act Relating to Restricted Licenses (S. P. 356) (L. D. 578) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending acceptance of the report; and on motion by Mr. Brown of Washington, the

Ought Not to Pass report of the committee was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table Bill, An Act Relating to Ballots in Elections (S. P. 47) (L. D. 29) tabled by that Senator on January 28 pending passage to be engrossed; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Larrabee of Sagadahoc

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.