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SENATE

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The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Edna L. Knowlton of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

From the House

Bill "An Act to Provide Facilities for the Peaceful Settlement of Industrial Disputes Through Mediation." (H. P. 1734) (L. D. 1293)

(In Senate, on April 27th, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.)

Comes from the House, engrossing having been reconsidered under suspension of the rules; House Amendment "A" (Amendment Filing 377) adopted, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Collins of Aroostook, the Senate voted to recede from its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed and to concur with the House in the adoption of House Amendment A and the passage of the bill to be engrossed.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Flander's Bay Community School District." (S. P. 414) (L. D. 975)

(In Senate, on April 30th, passed to be engrossed.)

Comes from the House, engrossed having been reconsidered under suspension of the rules; House Amendment "A" (Amendment Filing 423) adopted, and the bill as so amended, passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, the Senate voted to recede from its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed and concur with the House in the adoption of House Amendment and the passage of the bill to be engrossed.

Bill "An Act Relating to Trespassing on Commercial or Residential Property."

(In Senate, on May 4th, Majority Report, "Ought to Pass" read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.)

Comes from the House, the Majority Report read and accepted in

concurrence, and subsequently the bill was indefinitely postponed, in non-concurrence.

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Fire Protection Tax in Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 1327) (L. D. 890)

(In Senate on May 3rd, bill indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.)

Comes from the House, that Body having insisted on its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, and now asks for a Committee of Conference, the Speaker having appointed as members of such a Committee on the part of the House:

Messrs: PARKER of Sebec
CARTER of Bethel
KEENE of Clinton

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ela of Somerset, the Senate voted to insist on its former action and join the House in a Committee of Conference.

The Committee on Highways on Bill "An Act Relating to Clearance Markings on Railroad and State Highway Overpasses," (H. P. 1531) (L. D. 1124) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, report read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A", and by Committee Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "B" thereto.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Reid of Kennebec, the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending acceptance of the report.

Bill "An Act to Place a Bounty on Porcupine." (H. P. 1415) (L. D. 1023)

(In Senate, on May 10th, the Majority Report "Ought Not to Pass" accepted in non-concurrence.)

Comes from the House, that Body having insisted on its former action whereby the Minority Report, "Ought to Pass" was accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, and

now asks for a Committee of Conference, the Speaker having appointed as members of such a Committee on the part of the House:

Messrs: DENNISON

of East Machias
BUCKNAM of Whiting
FRÉCHETTE of Sanford

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ela of Somerset, the Senate voted to insist on its former action and join with the House in a Committee of Conference.

The Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act Relating to Head and Rear Lights on Railroad Cars," (H. P. 1352) (L. D. 927) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, report read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (Amendment Filing No. 405) as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto. (Amendment Filing No. 419)

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Marshall of York, the report was read and accepted in concurrence and the bill read once; House Amendment A to Committee Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence; Committee Amendment A, as amended by House Amendment A was adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended by Committee Amendment A as amended by House Amendment A thereto was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of Probate in Penobscot County," (H. P. 939) (L. D. 544) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Comes from the House, report and bill indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate, the Ought Not to Pass report was accepted.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game to which was re-committed Bill "An Act Relating to Open Season for Fishing for Black Bass and Pickerel," (H. P. 627) (L. D. 379) reported the same

in a new draft (H. P. 1758) (L. D. 1302) under a new title, Bill "An Act Relating to Open Season for Fishing for Black Bass," and that it ought to pass.

Comes from the House, report read and accepted and the bill amended by House Amendment "A" as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto,—and subsequently the bill was indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ela, the bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

The Committee on Highways on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Construction of a Bridge Across the Androscoggin River," (H. P. 462) (L. D. 282) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Comes from the House, the bill substituted for the report and passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate:

Mr. CROSBY: Mr. President, I move the acceptance of the ought not to pass report.

Mr. BOUCHER of Androscoggin: Mr. President, noting the absence of the other two Senators from Androscoggin County, I move that this lie on the table.

Thereupon, the bill was laid upon the table pending Senator Crosby's motion to accept the report.

Memorial Petitioning the Congress of the United States to Withhold its Approval of Proposed Increases in Federal Automotive Excise Taxes." (H. P. 1804) (L. D. 1382)

Which was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Joint Order

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be and hereby is directed to report to the next legislature by bill or otherwise its recommendation of method and procedure for assessment taxes on property in the unorganized territory, to the end that such property shall continue to contribute to the cost of state government, consistent with the provisions of the constitution, and further to recommend to the next legislature, if deemed desirable, an amendment to the con-

stitution designed to permit the exercise of legislative discretion with respect to taxation under practicable principles of justice and equity. (H. P. 1810)

Comes from the House, read and passed.

In the Senate, the Joint Order was read and passed in concurrence.

House Committee Reports

The Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Increasing Mill Tax for University of Maine," (H. P. 376) (L. D. 216) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same as it is covered by other legislation.

The Committee on Highways on Bill "An Act Relating to Contracts for Highway Construction and Maintenance," (H. P. 1390) (L. D. 984) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve, Authorizing State Highway Commission to Delay Action on Fore River Bridge," (H. P. 1364) (L. D. 955) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Distribution of Corporation Assets," (H. P. 1403) (L. D. 1063) reported that the same ought not to pass as it is covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Weirs and Wharves," (H. P. 1231) (L. D. 784) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act to Provide for the Issuance of Bonds of the State to Refund Kennebec Bridge Loan Bonds," (H. P. 443) (L. D. 272) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve, in Favor of the Block House at Fort Kent," (H. P. 402) (L. D. 246) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Towns and Counties to which was recommitted Bill "An Act Abolishing the Polling Place in Rockwood in Somerset County," (H. P. 168) (L. D. 99) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Education to which was recommitted Bill "An Act Relating to Schooling of Children of Parents Who Reside on State-owned Property," (H. P. 1471) (L. D. 1083) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1805) (L. D. 1390) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game to which was recommitted Bill "An Act Relating to Fishing Licenses for Boy's and Girls' Camps," (H. P. 1410) (L. D. 1018) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1797) (L. D. 1372) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Which reports were read and accepted and the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act for the Assessment of a State Tax for the Year Nineteen Hundred Fifty-One and for the Year Nineteen Hundred Fifty-Two," (H. P. 334) (L. D. 201) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1798) (L. D. 1374) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. EIA of Somerset: Mr. President, I am about to offer an amendment to the bill and I think it of sufficient importance so that I describe it briefly before I offer it.

Section five of the bill is that method in '52 whereby you assess the tax and then in the cities, towns and plantations you give it back to the cities, towns and plantations for their municipal services. By that method, you do tax unorganized territory and that is proper and right.

But there are a considerable number of townships in unorganized territory which do now have about the same impact of taxation as do cities, towns and plantations. In other words, with legislation which we have enacted this year for schools and with highway taxes and other taxes, many of those communities do now approach the

impact of taxation of cities, towns and plantations.

The amendment which I am to offer will send back to those townships, those unorganized places which have a considerable amount of population, from the state tax three-quarters of the amount assessed for school and highway purposes.

Now, in no case will the amount returned to a township be more than the state tax. In many cases, it will be a part of the state tax but it seems no more than fair and right that in those communities, in the unorganized territory which will bear a heavy burden of taxation, that they should receive a part of the same consideration as cities, towns and plantations.

You have, for example, in Aroostook County, places like Silver Ridge, Connor, Sinclair, Ouellette and in Franklin you have places like Freeman and Salem. In Kennebec County you have Unity Township with some population. In Knox County, you have Criehaven. In Lincoln County, you have Loudville. In Oxford County, you have many places such as Albany, Milton and Mason. In Penobscot, you have Kingham. In Piscataquis County, you have such places as Medford, Orneville, and Williamsburg. In Somerset County, you have such places as Lexington and Concord.

Now as I said before, this amendment will simply do for those places a part of what you are proposing to do in organized territory. So, I offer this amendment.

By the way, I have cleared this amendment with the Revisor of Statutes, with the State Tax Assessor. In fact, they redrew the bill to do just what it was proposed to do. I cleared it with the Attorney General's Office and he assured me that it would do that which was proposed and nothing more. I have showed it to the various members of the Taxation Committee and to the floor leaders and I have had no complaints about the amendment.

The Secretary read the Amendment.

Senate Amendment A to L. D. 1374:

Amend said bill by adding at the end of Section 5 thereof the following paragraph:

"The sum so collected for the year 1952 from each township and each lot or parcel of land not included in any township in the state shall be dispersed by the Treasurer of State to each township and each lot or parcel of land not included in any township which are assessed for school or highway purposes in an amount not less than three-fourths of the amount assessed for school and highway purposes shall be credited to such purposes."

Mr. LEAVITT of Cumberland: Mr. President, perhaps I wasn't listening intently but I would like to ask the Senator from Somerset how much revenue this will take off the bill.

Mr. ELA of Somerset: Mr. President, the amount of the state tax in unorganized territory is roughly \$341,000.00. This will still leave available for other state purposes \$285,000.00.

In other words, this will allot to unorganized territory for school and road purposes \$56,000.00 and in the bill it will save for state purposes in state tax on unorganized territory \$285,000.00.

Mr. LEAVITT of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that this be placed on the table until we have an opportunity to check these figures, which will be tomorrow.

Thereupon, the bill was laid upon the table pending motion by Senator Ela that Senate Amendment A be adopted.

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of Sheriffs of All Counties." (H. P. 1374) (L. D. 964) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 1799) (L. D. 1375) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

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

The Committee on Highways on Bill "An Act Relating to Combination Highway and Railroad Bridge Across Fore River" (H. P. 684) (L. D. 414) reported that the same ought to pass as amended.

Which report was read and accepted and the bill read once.

Mr. LEAVITT of Cumberland: Mr. President, is it now in order to move indefinite postponement?

The PRESIDENT: It is in order at any time.

Mr. LEAVITT: Mr. President, I so move.

Mr. CROSBY of Franklin: Mr. President, this matter received considerable discussion before the committee as to the formal referendum sent out. It hasn't been mentioned as to tolls on the Fore River Bridge and this amendment by agreement of some of those that I have talked with was prepared, that it might go out to the people so that they would have the opportunity of voting as to whether it should be a free bridge or a toll bridge.

One of the objections and the reasons for sending this out is that the Highway Fund was having quite a time and a good deal of trouble to meet the necessary expenses. That would take about \$6,000,000.00 out of the Highway fund for the Fore River Bridge over the next fifteen years and it seemed only fair and right that this should be a toll bridge in comparison with all of the other large bridges that are being built throughout the State and that was the reason for the committee preparing this amendment.

Mr. LEAVITT of Cumberland: Mr. President, the state has already voted on this subject. It has voted to build this bridge. There was no thought of a toll as far as I can find out from any of the discussions relative to the building of the bridge and the reason for it is because this bridge is different from most of the bridges in the State of Maine.

Every other bridge that holds a toll in the State of Maine replaced another service which caused people to go across the river in another type of road. Either they were paying for ferry service or they were paying for extra gasoline because they had to go around. This bridge here is to replace a bridge which has already been in existence for over 150 years. It is one of the main arteries into the State of Maine where free passage has been available, as I say, for the entire 150 years. As far as I know, no place in the State of Maine has ever charged a toll at a point where free

access has already been available. If anybody here knows of any exception to that rule, I would like to hear them utter it right now.

This referendum would have a tendency to delay the construction of that bridge for two years although it may be possible to have the bonds issued with this cloud over the issue. I don't know. But I have an idea that it would complicate matters considerably and it might slow up the construction of the bridge which is very essential to build at this time.

I think it is absolutely out of line with the thinking in the state or with the welfare of the state to have to put this to another vote and I hope that my motion for indefinite postponement will prevail.

Mr. CROSBY: Mr. President, I would say that it is my understanding from the Highway Department that the construction of this bridge would continue regardless of this referendum. The bridge would be built and would be financed by the general highway fund issuing bonds. The bonds would not be revenue bonds. The referendum, if passed by the people would then put a toll on, which would reimburse the Highway Department for funds spent on the bridge. I see no possible way of it holding up construction in the least. It is just a matter of the method of financing that bridge.

Mr. HASKELL of Penobscot: Mr. President, it seems to me that we are talking about an item of six and a half million dollars if I remember correctly and it would seem to me that an item of that size should have debate at a reasonably well attended session. Therefore I move that the bill lie upon the table.

The motion prevailed and the bill was laid upon the table pending motion by Senator Leavitt of Cumberland to indefinitely postpone the bill.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Police Authority of Director of Aeronautics and Inspectors," (H. P. 195) (L. D. 117) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (Amendment Filing No. 408)

The same Committee on "Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Make Temporarily Inoperative any Measure Adopted by the People which Fails to Provide a Revenue Adequate for its Services," (H. P. 1014) (L. D. 576) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (Amendment Filing No. 409)

The Committee on Legal Affairs to Which was recommitted Bill "An Act Relating to the Ogunquit Village Corporation," (H. P. 1121) (L. D. 708) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A". (Amendment Filing No. 397)

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Relating to the Salaries of the Deputy Register of Deeds and Clerks in the office of Register of Deeds in Cumberland County," (H. P. 1439) (L. D. 1050) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A". (Amendment Filing No. 394)

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence and the bills and resolves read once; Committee Amendments "A" were severally read and adopted in concurrence, and the bills and resolve as amended were tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Report "A" from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Filing of Liens on Vehicles," (H. P. 1420) (L. D. 1028) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A". (Amendment Filing No. 378)

(signed)

Senators:

WARD of Penobscot
HASKELL of Cumberland

Representatives:

FULLER of Bangor
DELAHANTY of Lewiston
HARDING of Rockland

Report "B" from the same Committee on the same subject matter, reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senator:

BARNES of Aroostook

Representatives:

McGLAUFLIN of Portland
WOODWORTH of Fairfield
FAY of Portland
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft

Comes from the House, Report "A" read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Mr. HASKELL of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that the Senate accept Report A, "Ought to Pass" of the Committee.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Collins of Aroostook the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Haskell, that report A be accepted.

The Majority of the committee on Judiciary to which was recommitted Bill "An Act Continuing Pensions for Retired Members of the State Police," (H. P. 198) (L. D. 120) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

(signed)

Senators:

WARD of Penobscot
HASKELL of Cumberland

Representatives:

FAY of Portland
FULLER of Bangor
DELAHANTY of Lewiston
HARDING of Rockland
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senator:

BARNES of Aroostook

Representatives:

McGLAUFLIN of Portland
WOODWORTH of Fairfield

Comes from the House, the Majority Report read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Mr. HASKELL of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that the Senate accept the majority report of the Committee, "Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment A".

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Ela of Somerset, the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Haskell, that the majority report of the Committee be accepted.

The Majority of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Create a Public Body in the City of Portland to be Known as the Slum Clearance and Redevelopment Authority," (H. P. 1228) (L. D. 807) reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senators:

WARD of Penobscot
BARNES of Aroostook

Representatives:

HARDING of Rockland
WOODWORTH of Fairfield
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft
FULLER of Bangor
DELAHANTY of Lewiston

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

(signed)

Senator:

HASKELL of Cumberland

Representatives:

McGLAUFLIN of Portland
FAY of Portland

Comes from the House, the Minority Report read and accepted, and the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "A" passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WEEKS of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move the Senate accept the minority report of the Committee, "Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment A".

A viva voce vote being doubted by the chair, a division of the Senate was had.

Ten having voted in the affirmative and eleven opposed,

The motion to accept the minority report of the Committee did not prevail.

Mr. WARD of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that the majority report of the Committee, "Ought Not to Pass" be accepted.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Haskell of Cumberland, the bill and

accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending the motion of the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Ward, that the majority report of the Committee be accepted.

Consolidated Report

Mr. McKusick from the Committee on Education on the following Resolves:

(S. P. 96) (L. D. 148) "Resolve in Favor of Stevens Academy in the Town of Blue Hill."

(S. P. 884) "Resolve in Favor of Lee Academy."

(H. P. 1526) "Resolve in Favor of Foxcroft Academy."

(H. P. 1472) "Resolve in Favor of Hartland Academy."

(H. P. 1610) "Resolve in Favor of Leavitt Institute."

(H. P. 1527) "Resolve in Favor of Limington Academy."

(H. P. 820) "Resolve in Favor of Monmouth Academy."

(H. P. 116) "Resolve in Favor of Monson Academy."

(H. P. 459) "Resolve in Favor of Somerset Academy in the Town of Athens."

Reported the same in a Consolidated Resolve, (S. P. 585) under a new title, "Resolve in Favor of the Several Academies, Institutes and Seminaries," and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, and the Consolidated Resolve laid upon the table for printing under Joint Rule 10.

Senate Committee Reports Committee of Conference

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Mayor of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 313) (L. D. 664) reported that the Senate recede from its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by Senate Amendment "A"; and that Committee Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed; that the Senate now adopt Senate Amendment "B" and pass the bill to be engrossed as so amended.

That the House recede from its former action and concur with the Senate.

The report of the Committee of Conference was read and accepted, and the Senate voted to recede from its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment A and as further amended by Senate Amendment A; Committee Amendment A and Senate Amendment A were indefinitely postponed.

Senate Amendment B was read: Senate Amendment B to S. P. 313.

"Amend said bill by striking out in the next to the last line thereof the underlined figures \$4500 and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures \$2500."

Senate Amendment B was adopted and the bill as amended by Senate Amendment B was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report "A" of the Committee on Judiciary to which was recommit-
ted Bill "An Act Relating to Liens on Insurance Policies for Hospitals," (S. P. 33) (L. D. 18) reported the same in a second new draft (S. P. 584) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

(Signed)

Senators:

HASKELL of Cumberland
WARD of Penobscot

Representatives:

DELAHANTY of Lewiston
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft
FULLER of Bangor

Report "B" of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same ought not to pass.

(Signed)

Senator:

BARNES of Aroostook

Representatives:

McGLAUFN of Portland
WOODWORTH of Fairfield
FAY of Portland
HARDING of Rockland

On motion by Mr. Ward of Penobscot, the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending acceptance of either report.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to State Owned Cars." (S. P. 332) (L. D. 748)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing for White Perch in Penobscot County." (S. P. 576) (L. D. 1377)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Enactors

Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Commissioners and County Treasurer of York County." (H. P. 1375) (L. D. 965)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Judge of Probate of York County." (H. P. 1437) (L. D. 1048)

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Ward of Penobscot, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action taken earlier in today's session whereby it accepted the Ought Not to Pass report of the Committee on Towns and Counties on bill, An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of Probate in Penobscot County (H. P. 939) (L. D. 544); and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was laid upon the table pending acceptance of the report.

The PRESIDENT: At this time the Chair will appoint on the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches in relation to an Act Relating to Fire Protection in Unorganized Territory, the Senator from Somerset, Senator Ela; the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Reid; the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Haskell.

On the disagreeing action of the two branches relative to an Act to Place a Bounty on Porcupines, the Chair will appoint the Senator from Somerset, Senator Ela; the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Wight; and the Senator from Hancock, Senator Smart.

The Senate is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table Resolve, Authorizing a

Tax and Cutting Practice Committee (H. P. 1672) (L. D. 1240) tabled by that Senator on April 3 pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. NOYES: Mr. President, I now move that the resolve be passed to be engrossed and in making that motion, I understand that the sponsor of the resolve wishes to take some action in the other branch, relative to an Order that has been passed authorizing or instructing

the Research Committee to make a study of substantially the same matter and he feels that the two can be combined.

The motion prevailed and the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Crosby of Franklin

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock, E.S.T.