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**HOUSE**

Thursday, February 12, 1953

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Rodney W. Roundy of Portland.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Tuition at State Normal Schools and Teachers' Colleges" (S. P. 200) (L. D. 537)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the Uniform Health and Accident Insurance Law" (S. P. 201) (L. D. 552)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act providing for Maintenance of a Road on the North End of Baxter State Park" (S. P. 202) (L. D. 538)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Highways.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Extending the Powers of the Maine-New Hampshire Interstate Bridge Authority" (S. P. 203) (L. D. 543)

Bill "An Act to Permit Guardians and Trustees to Invest in Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts" (S. P. 205) (L. D. 542)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the 'Portland Investment Co.'" (S. P. 206) (L. D. 539)

Bill "An Act to Permit Testing of Military Weapons and Munitions on Great Ponds" (S. P. 216) (L. D. 541)

Resolve in favor of Alice Knight Spinney of Eliot (S. P. 204) (L. D. 540)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Legal Voters of Farmington Village Corporation" (S. P. 207) (L. D. 545)

Bill "An Act to Create the Washington County Recreation Authority" (S. P. 208) (L. D. 558)

Bill "An Act relating to Keeping Open of Grocery Stores on Sunday" (S. P. 209) (L. D. 544)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Insects and Diseases of Trees" (S. P. 210) (L. D. 546)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Natural Resources in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Exemption from Sales and Use Tax of Prescribed Medicines" (S. P. 211) (L. D. 547)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Guards on Rear of Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 212) (L. D. 551)

Bill "An Act Repealing Law on Vehicles Approaching Stationary Street Car from Rear" (S. P. 213) (L. D. 550)

Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Accident Reports" (S. P. 214) (L. D. 549)

Bill "An Act relating to Signals for Turning Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 215) (L. D. 548)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

#### Senate Reports of Committees Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Guides License" (S. P. 78) (L. D. 185)

Report of the Committee on Labor reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Definition of 'Base Period' under Employment Security Law" (S. P. 34) (L. D. 37)

Came from the Senate with the Reports read and accepted, and the Bills passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bills read twice and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

From the Senate: the following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 17, 1953, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon (S. P. 267)

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

#### Non-Concurrent Matter

Joint Order relative to Advertising in weekly newspapers of the state, public hearing on bills and resolves (H. P. 478) which was passed in the House on February 5.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Chairmen of the Committees on Agriculture, Education, Inland Fisheries and Game, Sea and Shore Fisheries, Taxation, and Towns and Counties, be requested to make every reasonable effort to have prepared not later than 2 P. M. of each Wednesday, such bills as they will hear in public hearing during the following week. The list-

ings so prepared shall be given to the Clerk of the House for delivery to such weekly papers as may desire to use the information as a public service to their subscribers (S. P. 238)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House: Mr. Fuller of South Portland, offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 238 Joint Order Relative to Lists of Hearings Scheduled Made Available to Weekly Newspapers.

Amend said Order by inserting after the comma in the fifth line thereof the words 'lists in quadruplicate of'.

Further amend said Order by striking out all after the word "be" in the seventh line thereof and inserting in place thereof the words 'deposited forthwith in the newspaper room, for the information of and use by representatives of the daily and weekly newspapers covering the proceedings of the Legislature.'

Thereupon, House Amendment "A" was adopted.

The same gentleman then offered House Amendment "B" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "B" was then read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 238 Joint Order Relative to Lists of Hearings Scheduled Made Available to Weekly Newspapers.

Amend said Order by striking out beginning in the second line the following words "Committees of Agriculture, Education, Inland Fisheries and Game, Sea and Shore Fisheries, Taxation, and Towns and Counties", inserting in place thereof the words 'Several Joint Standing Committees, except the Joint Standing Committee on Reference of Bills.'

House Amendment "B" was then adopted.

The same gentleman then offered House Amendment "C" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "C" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to S. P. 238 Joint Order Relative to Lists

of Hearings Scheduled Made Available to Weekly Newspapers.

Amend said Order by striking out the word "Wednesday" from the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the word "Tuesday".

Thereupon, House Amendment "C" was adopted and the Order as amended was passed in non-concurrence and was sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is informed that in the balcony of the Hall of the House there is a group of young ladies from Wellesley College.

In behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you a cordial and hearty welcome.

#### **Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference**

The following Petitions, Bills and Resolves and upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

##### **Agriculture**

Bill "An Act relating to Assessments on Milk Dealers and Producers for Promotional Purposes" (H. P. 624) (Presented by Mr. Bailey of Woolwich)

(1,000 Copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Vaccination of Cattle over Eight Months of Age" (H. P. 623) (Presented by Mr. Bailey of Woolwich)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Adulterated Meat or Meat Products" (H. P. 625) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Stipend to Agricultural Societies" (H. P. 626) (Presented by Mr. Center of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Cattle Diseased with Tuberculosis" (H. P. 627) (Presented by Mr. Gosline of Gardiner)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Petition of Rev. Ellis J. Holt of Auburn and 24 others in favor of

Bill "An Act relating to Bookmobile Service" H. P. 2, L. D. 2 (H. P. 528) (Presented by Mr. Roundy of Portland)

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to Building Committee of Eastern States Exposition" (H. P. 628) (Presented by Mr. Center of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Automobile Travel by State Fire Inspectors" (H. P. 629) (Presented by Mr. Gowell of Berwick)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Reporter of Decisions" (H. P. 630) (Presented by Mr. Stewart of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Maine Central Institute (H. P. 631) (Presented by Mr. Cianchette of Pittsfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve providing for Certain Construction at Monmouth Academy (H. P. 632) (Presented by Mr. Dennis of Litchfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Claims**

Resolve in favor of Cook & Company Inc. (H. P. 633) (Presented by Mr. Berry of South Portland by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine General Hospital, of Bangor (H. P. 634) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Wilbur Harris of Augusta (H. P. 635) (Presented by Mr. Albert of Augusta)

Resolve in favor of Henry J. Frye of Georgetown (H. P. 636) (Presented by Mr. Bailey of Woolwich)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Liberty (H. P. 637) (Presented by Mr. Cole of Liberty)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Knox (H. P. 638) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Robert T. Harvey of East Corinth (H. P. 639) (Presented by Mr. Rich of Charleston)

Resolve in favor of Chester E. Brown of Southwest Harbor (H. P. 640) (Presented by Mr. Reynolds of Mount Desert)

Resolve in favor of Joseph A. DiDonato (H. P. 641) (Presented by Mr. Turner of Auburn by request)  
Sent up for concurrence.

### Highways

Bill "An Act relating to Expenditures of Town Road Improvement Fund" (H. P. 642) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Cranberry Isles (H. P. 643) (Presented by Mr. Reynolds of Mount Desert)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act relating to Reimbursement of Bounty on Bears" (H. P. 644) (Presented by Mr. Childs of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Bobcats" (H. P. 645) (Presented by Mr. Morris of Portage Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Place a Bounty on Porcupines" (H. P. 646) (Presented by Mr. Rich of Charleston)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Extending Appropriation of Money to Improve the Approach to the Fish Way at Aroostook Falls (H. P. 647) (Presented by Mr. Currier of Caribou)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Cobbossecontee Stream in the County of Kennebec (H. P. 648) (Presented by Mr. Gosline of Gardiner)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Ice Fishing in Portage Lake, Aroostook County (H. P. 649) (Presented by Mr. Morris of Portage Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to Ballots" (H. P. 650) (Presented by Mr. Albert of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Title and Powers of 'Recorders of Municipal Courts'" (H. P. 651) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Trespass on Lands" (H. P. 652) (Presented

by Mr. Alden of Gorham by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Retirement of Firemen Under Maine State Retirement Law" (H. P. 653) (Presented by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the State Personnel Board" (H. P. 654) (Presented by Miss Steeves of Lincoln)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Designate the National Inauguration Day Every Four Years a State Legal Holiday" (H. P. 655) (Presented by Mr. Tondreau of Brunswick)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Report of Adoption Filed in Probate Court" (H. P. 656) (Presented by Mr. Traf-ton of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Earle B. Porter of Rockland (H. P. 657) (Presented by Mr. McCluskey of Warren)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Albert A. Anderson of Thomaston (H. P. 658) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Labor

Bill "An Act relating to Charges for Medical Examination by Applicants for Employment" (H. P. 659) (Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act providing for the Method of Payment of Wages by Check or Draft" (H. P. 660) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Hours of Labor of Operators of Motor Trucks and Buses" (H. P. 661) (Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Repeal Running Horse Racing" (H. P. 662) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Robbinston)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Member-ship of State Harness Racing Com-

mission" (H. P. 663) (Presented by Mr. Center of Standish)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Disposition of Dog License Fees" (H. P. 664) (Presented by Mr. Childs of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Damages to Poultry by Dogs" (H. P. 665) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Disposal of Unlicensed Dogs" (H. P. 666) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Food and Shelter for Sick, Injured or Abandoned Dogs" (H. P. 667) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Unlicensed Dogs" (H. P. 668) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Public Dances" (H. P. 639) (Presented by Mr. Gowell of Berwick)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Motion Picture Operators" (H. P. 670) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Explosives" (H. P. 671) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Inspection of Electrical Equipment" (H. P. 672) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Inflammable Oils and Liquids" (H. P. 673) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Fire Hazards" (H. P. 674) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Fire Hazards in Trailer Camps and Motels" (H. P. 675) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Practice of Architecture" (H. P. 676) (Presented by Mr. Trafton of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Prohibiting Lotteries and Gambling (H. P. 677)

(Presented by Mr. Roundy of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Liquor Control

Bill "An Act Changing the Definition of a Hotel for the purposes of Liquor Licenses" (H. P. 678) (Presented by Mr. Albee of Portland by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Creating the Bureau of Liquor Merchandising and a Division of Liquor Licensing and Enforcement" (H. P. 679) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Retail Sale of Vinous Liquor" (H. P. 680) (Presented by Mr. Frechette of Sanford by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of 'Tavern' in Liquor Law" (H. P. 681) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Consumption Sale of Liquor" (H. P. 682) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Licenses for Consumption Sale" (H. P. 683) (Presented by Mr. Pullen of Oakland by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Sale of Liquor on Memorial Day and Other Holidays" (H. P. 684) (Presented by Mr. Stewart of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Public Health

Bill "An Act Transferring Maine School for the Deaf to Department of Education" (H. P. 685) (Presented by Mr. Roundy of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Taxation

Bill "An Act Exempting Medication Used in Agricultural Production from Sales Tax" (H. P. 686) (Presented by Mr. Cole of Liberty)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Exemption from the Sales Tax of Domestic Fuel" (H. P. 687) (Presented by Mr. Low of Rockland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Sales and Use Tax Law Relative to Packaging and Shipping Materials" (H. P. 688) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Tax Exemptions for Veterans of Korean Campaign" (H. P. 689) (Presented by Mr. Tondreau of Brunswick)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs. Downing of North Kennebunkport, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session, in order to permit smoking.

### Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to Conveyance of Elementary School Children" (H. P. 690) (Presented by Mr. Albert of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the County Attorney of Aroostook County" (H. P. 691) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of Clerk of Courts and Treasurer, and Clerk Hire in Office of Treasurer, Kennebec County" (H. P. 692) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Payment to Cumberland County Law Library" (H. P. 693) (Presented by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Clerk of Courts, Deputy Clerk of Courts, County Attorney and Assistant County Attorney of Penobscot County" (H. P. 694) (Presented by Mr. Stanley of Hampden)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Permits for Moving Heavy Objects and Loads Over Ways and Bridges" (H. P. 695) (Presented by Mr. Cianchette of Pittsfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Non-Registration of Farm Tractors" (H.

P. 696) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Welfare

Resolve to Repeal Certain Special Resolve Pensions (H. P. 612) (Presented by Mr. Clements of Belfast)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Barbara Thompson of Gorham (H. P. 697) (Presented by Mr. Alden of Gorham)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Arthur Denihan of Bangor (H. P. 698) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Bangor)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Cyrias Marquis of Hamlin Plantation (H. P. 699) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Louis Soucie of Hamlin Plantation (H. P. 700) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Lida Blood of Northport (H. P. 701) (Presented by Mr. Cole of Liberty)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Albert Fuller of Searsmont (H. P. 702) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Annette Chasse of Van Buren (H. P. 703) (Presented by Mr. Madore of Van Buren)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Therese Jacques of Van Buren (H. P. 704) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Lucille Marquis of Van Buren (H. P. 705) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for James Arthur McAnaney of Van Buren (H. P. 706) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Gertrude L. Parent of Augusta (H. P. 707) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Augusta)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Stanley Bolstridge of Portage Lake (H. P. 708) (Presented by Mr. Morris of Portage Lake)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Owen Robinson of Ash-



land (H. P. 709) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Fern Frances French of East Corinth (H. P. 710) (Presented by Mr. Rich of Charleston)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for John B. Decker of Lagrange (H. P. 711) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **House Reports of Committees Ought to Pass Printed Bills**

Mr. Curtis from the Committee on Transportation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Mirror Attached to Passenger Cars" (H. P. 291) (L. D. 276)

Mr. Dodge from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Inspection of Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 290) (L. D. 275)

Mr. Jewett from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Removal of Parked Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 289) (L. D. 274)

Mr. Kelly from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Carrying Motor Vehicle License by Operator" (H. P. 293) (L. D. 278)

Reports were read and accepted, and the Bills, having already been printed, were read twice under suspension of the rules, and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

#### **Passed to be Engrossed Amended Bill**

Bill "An Act relating to Field Trials for Retrieving Dogs" (H. P. 163) (L. D. 162)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A", and sent to the Senate.

Resolve Regulating Fishing in the Sheepscot River (S. P. 52) (L. D. 80)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the third reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### **Tabled and Assigned**

Resolve relating to the Protection of Smelts in the Montswag River

(S. P. 53) (L. D. 81) was reported by the Committee on bills in the third reading and read the second time.

(On motion of Mr. Bailey, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Tuesday, February 17)

Resolve relating to the Protection of Smelts in the Sheepscot River (S. P. 54) (L. D. 82)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### **Orders of the Day**

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would like to make an inquiry through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his inquiry.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I should like to know if Bill "An Act relating to Census of Penobscot Indians" is in possession of the House?

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that Bill "An Act relating to Census of Penobscot Indians", House Paper 599, Legislative Document 614, is in the possession of the House.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Albert, the House voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act relating to Census of Penobscot Indians" (H. P. 599) (L. D. 614) was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Welfare and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I should like to inquire through the Chair if Bill "An Act relating to Use of Certain Chemicals in Pre-ground Hamburg" is in the possession of the House.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that it is in possession of the House.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Albert, the House voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby Bill

"An Act relating to Use of Certain Chemicals in Preground Hamburg" (H. P. 604) (L. D. 616) was referred to the Committee on Public Health and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Fuller.

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to make an inquiry through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his inquiry.

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to know if House Paper 600, Bill "An Act relating to Election of Penobscot Tribal Officers" is in possession of the House?

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that Bill "An Act relating to Election of Penobscot Tribal Officers," House Paper 600, Legislative Document 615, is in the possession of the House.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Fuller, the House voted to reconsider its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act relating to Election of Penobscot Tribal Officers", (H. P. 600) (L. D. 615) was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and, on further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Welfare and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stewart of Portland, the House voted to take from the table the second tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Billboard Liquor Advertising" (H. P. 601) (L. D. 617) which was tabled by that gentleman on February 11 pending reference.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Liquor Control and sent up for concurrence.

The gentleman from Hope, Mr. Ludwig, was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. LUDWIG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: You will find in your mail today a communication from the Highway Commission regarding the reclassification of roads in your counties. This communication shows what effect it

will have on each town in your county. They sent copies enough to the Representatives from class towns so that each town could have a copy. I urge you to study this carefully and to see that your municipal officers in your class towns receive their copy which you have.

The SPEAKER: The House is continuing under Orders of the Day.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker, I ask permission to ask a question through the Chair of the gentleman from Hope, Mr. Ludwig.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, requests the privilege of addressing a question through the Chair to the gentleman from Hope, Mr. Ludwig. The gentleman may direct his question through the Chair, and the gentleman from Hope, Mr. Ludwig, may answer if he so desires.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker, my question is: has there been any figure prepared for the entire State that would accurately or nearly accurately show us, if this allocation bill went into effect, how much expense there would be to the towns which would necessarily have to be appropriated through assessment of real estate tax?

Mr. LUDWIG: Mr. Speaker, I cannot answer that question too accurately, but to the best of my knowledge it is approximately two thousand miles which the survey recommended to be turned back and I understand that the average cost of maintenance at the present time on these State Aid roads is about \$500 a mile. That is as near as I could answer.

The SPEAKER: The House is continuing under Orders of the Day.

If there is no further business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion of Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship,

Adjourned until Tuesday, February 17, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.