

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## HOUSE

Wednesday, January 16, 1957

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Roger Blinn of Gardiner.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

### Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following communication: (S. P. 29)

STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE  
ATTORNEY GENERAL  
Augusta

January 8, 1957

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Ninety-eighth Legislature:

Pursuant to Article V, Part 4, Section 2, of the Constitution I am transmitting herewith two bonds of the Honorable Frank S. Carpenter, Treasurer of State, each in the amount of \$75,000, one written by The Travelers Indemnity Company of Hartford, Connecticut, bearing date of January 2, 1957, and the other written by Maine Bonding and Casualty Company of Portland, Maine, bearing date of January 2, 1957, each being payable to the State of Maine.

These bonds bear the Deputy's approval as to form.

Respectfully,

(Signed) FRANK F. HARDING  
Attorney General

Came from the Senate read and with accompanying bonds ordered placed on file with the State Auditor.

In the House, the communication was read and with accompanying bonds ordered placed on file with the State Auditor in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the two bonds of the Honorable Frank S. Carpenter, Treasurer of State, each in the amount of \$75,000, one written by the Travelers Indemnity Company of Hartford, Connecticut, bearing date of January 2, 1957, and the other written by Maine Bonding and Casualty Company of Portland, Maine, bearing date of

January 2, 1957, each being payable to the State of Maine, and each bearing the certificate of approval of the Attorney General, be and hereby are approved (S. P. 30)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Directing Review of Election Laws" (S. P. 23) (L. D. 14)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Repealing Law Relating to Signs for Retail Prices of Motor Fuel" (S. P. 27) (L. D. 18)

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 Repealing Prima Facie Provisions of Unfair Sales Act" (S. P. 28) (L. D. 19)

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 Repealing the Merit Award Board" (S. P. 24) (L. D. 15)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Government.

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Government in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Registration Fees on Certain Commercial Vehicles" (S. P. 25) (L. D. 16)

Bill "An Act relating to Weight of Commercial Vehicles" (S. P. 26) (L. D. 17)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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

### Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

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

#### Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Resolve Appropriating Funds for a State Police Garage at Augusta. (H. P. 44) (Presented by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Business Legislation

Bill "An Act relating to Time Limit for Adjusting and Paying Fire Losses" (H. P. 45) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Ellsworth)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Claims

Resolve Reimbursing Town of Bristol for Certain Pauper Claims (H. P. 46) (Presented by Mr. Rankin of Southport)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Georgianna Berthiaume of Oakland (H. P. 47) (Presented by Mr. Bartlett of Belgrade)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### Constitutional Amendments

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Reduce the Voting Age to Eighteen Years (H. P. 48) (Presented by Mr. Maynard of Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Magalloway River and its Tributaries, Oxford County (H. P. 49) (Presented by Mr. Saunders of Bethel)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing for White Perch in China Lake, Kennebec County (H. P. 50) (Presented by Mr. Webber of China)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Indebtedness of Dover-Foxcroft School District" (H. P. 51) (Presented by Mr. Ederly of Sangerville)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Gardiner" (H. P. 52) (Presented by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Operation of Bicycles and Play Vehicles" (H. P. 53) (Presented by Mrs. Hendricks of Portland)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Create the Bangor Water District" (H. P. 54) (Presented by Mr. Quinn of Bangor)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Authorizing County of Somerset and Bingham Water District to Enter into Contract for Fire Protection in Concord Township" (H. P. 55) (Presented by Mr. Shaw of Bingham)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Retirements and Pensions

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Beverly Ann Archer of Rumford (H. P. 56) (Presented by Miss Cormier of Rumford)  
(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Marion Hilton of St. Albans (H. P. 57) (Presented by Mr. Hughes of St. Albans)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act relating to Setting Lobster Traps Near Weirs" (H. P. 58) (Presented by Mr. Graves of Mount Desert)  
(Ordered Printed)  
Sent up for concurrence.

#### Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of Recorder of Kennebunk Municipal Court" (H. P. 59) (Presented by Mr. Emmons of Kennebunk)  
(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Jackman" (H. P. 60) (Presented by Mr. Shaw of Bingham)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Moose River" (H. P. 61) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Orders

On motion of the gentlewoman from Lovell, Mrs. Harriman, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

On motion of Mrs. Smith of Fal-mouth, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Hickey of Biddeford be excused from attendance this week because of a death in his family.

### Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under Orders of the Day the Chair lays before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter, House Joint Order relative to Increase in amount paid to Legislators for travel, House Paper 42, tabled the tenth of January by the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn, pending passage, and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. HAUGHN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Due to this other pending house order I will now move that this Joint House Order be retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn, moves that House Paper 42 be retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday of next week, that being January 23. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter, House Order relative to Opinion of Justices on increase in travel allowed to Legislators, tabled on January 15 by the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, pending the motion of the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn, that this order receive passage. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I now move that this order receive passage.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, moves that this House Order now receive passage. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Order was sent up for concurrence.

### House at Ease

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

On motion of Mr. Ross of Bath,

Adjourned until one o'clock tomorrow afternoon.