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**SENATE**

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Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Alice T. Hart of Hallowell.

On motion by Mr. Reed of Aroostook. Journal of yesterday read and approved.

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**House Papers**

Bill, "An Act to Establish Representative Town Meetings in Town of Caribou." (H. P. 92) (L. D. 132)

In Senate on Feb. 26, passed to be engrossed.

Comes from House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, that Body voted to reconsider its former action where-by the bill was passed to be engrossed; House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence and the bill as so amended was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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The PRESIDENT: At this time the Chair recognizes in the Senate Chamber a group of Explorer Scouts, Troop 202 of Rockland the guests of Representative Stilphen of Rockland, with their Advisers, Mr. Gregory and Mr. Post. We hope that you young men will enjoy the session today. We know that you are in very good hands. If anyone of us can make your day more pleasant and instructive, we are at your service. Thank you for coming and do come again.

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Bill, "An Act Providing Funds for the Promotion of Maine." (H. P. 652) (L. D. 933)

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

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Bill, "An Act Relating to Group Life Insurance for Certain Municipal Employee Associations." (H. P. 653) (L. D. 934)

Which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

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The PRESIDENT: At this time the Chair notes in the Senate Chamber, a distinguished member of sev-

eral prior Senates and a distinguished member of the Governor's Council.

Before asking the Sergeant at Arms to escort him to the rostrum, I would pay this tribute to this gentleman. Within my time no member of the legislature has been more conscientious in his service to the state, and his interest in State Government than the former Senator from Somerset, Senator Ela. I will ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort former Senator Ela to the rostrum. It is my honor to have him sit with me, and it is your honor to greet a real servant of the State of Maine.

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Bill, "An Act Excluding Federal Aid as an Incidental Receipt in State Subsidy Allocation." (H. P. 654) (L. D. 935)

Which was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

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Bill, "An Act Relating to Limitation of Financial Responsibility Law." (H. P. 647) (L. D. 916)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Qualifications for Admission to Practice Law." (H. P. 655) (L. D. 936)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Determination of Damages Caused by Taking of Land for Highway Purposes." (H. P. 656) (L. D. 937)

Bill, "An Act Relating to the Maine Unitarian Association." (H. P. 657) (L. D. 938)

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

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Bill, "An Act Relating to Weekly Benefits for Total Employment Benefits for Total Unemployment Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 658) (L. D. 939)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Definition of Wages Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 659) (L. D. 940)

Bill, An Act Relating to Definition of Annual Payroll Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 660) (L. D. 941)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Dependency Allowances Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 661) (L. D. 942)

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

Bill, "An Act Relating to Power to Hold and Purchase Property by the City of Waterville." (H. P. 662) (L. D. 943)

Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Fairfield School District." (H. P. 663) (L. D. 944)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Filling Vacancies in Board of Trustees of Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor Cemetery District." (H. P. 664) (L. D. 945)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Local Option for Sale of Liquor by Certain Part-time Hotels." (H. P. 665) (L. D. 946)

Bill, "An Act Providing Penalty for Sale of Liquor to Certain Persons." (H. P. 666) (L. D. 947)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

Bill, "An Act Amending the Charter of the Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Wells Water District." (H. P. 667) (L. D. 948)

Bill, "An Act to Repeal the Westbrook Sewerage District." (H. P. 668) (L. D. 949)

Bill, "An Act to Create the Fal-mouth Sewer District." (H. P. 669) (L. D. 950)

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

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Towns to Control Sea and Shore Fisheries." (H. P. 670) (L. D. 951)

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

Bill, "An Act Relating to Disposal of Fees Paid to City or Town Clerks." (H. P. 671) (L. D. 952)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of Judge and Recorder of Bath Municipal Court." (H. P. 672) (L. D. 953)

Which were referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Old Age Assistance." (H. P. 673) (L. D. 954)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Applications for Aid to the Disabled." (H. P. 674) (L. D. 955)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Applications for Aid to the Blind." (H. P. 675) (L. D. 956)

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

#### House Papers

##### Received by Unanimous Consent

"Resolve in Favor of Donald La-Pierre of Westbrook." (H. P. 694)

Which was received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

#### House Committee Reports

The Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill, "An Act Relating to Use of Moneys Received Under Sardine Tax Law." (H. P. 516) (L. D. 726) reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

#### Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Regulating Taking of Smelts in Valley Brook, Cumberland County." (H. P. 90) (L. D. 124) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

Comes from the House, resolve substituted for the report and passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, the resolve and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending consideration of the Committee Report.

The Committee on Business Legislation on Bill, "An Act Relating to Time Limit for Adjusting and Paying Fire Losses." (H. P. 45) (L. D. 78) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Silsby of Hancock, tabled pending consideration of the committee report.)

The Committee on Highways on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Hermon." (H. P. 351) (L. D. 481) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act Relating to Reciprocity Under Veterinarian Law." (H. P. 282) (L. D. 378) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill, "An Act Relating to Setting Lobster Traps Near Weirs." (H. P. 58) (L. D. 66) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair at this time notes another group in the Senate Chamber, the Junior and Senior classes in Problems of Democracy and American History accompanied by their teachers, Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Gould from the Winterport High School. We welcome you to the Senate and we hope that you have a pleasant day here. We will do everything we can to make the day a profitable one. We appreciate your coming and hope that you will come back again. Thank you.

The Committee on Transportation on Bill, "An Act Relating to Persons Operating Farm Tractors." (H. P. 251) (L. D. 312) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

#### Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act Relating to Fees of and Duty of Department of Education Concerning Schools of Barbering and Hairdressing and Beauty Culture." (H. P. 349) (L. D. 479) reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act Relating to Throwing Substances to Cause Fires or Explosions." (H. P. 184) (L. D. 247) reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

#### Ought to Pass

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act Relating to Special Milk Program for Children in Schools." (H. P. 265) (L. D. 361) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Saddleback Stream and Its Tributaries." (H. P. 114) (L. D. 152) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Blanchard

Ponds, Franklin County." (H. P. 118) (L. D. 155) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Tributaries to Baker Pond, Somerset County." (H. P. 119) (L. D. 157) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Big Island Pond, Franklin County." (H. P. 120) (L. D. 153) reported that the same Ought to pass

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in South Bog Stream, Franklin County." (H. P. 313) (L. D. 430) reported that the same Ought to pass

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Chain of Ponds, Franklin County." (H. P. 315) (L. D. 432) reported that the same Ought to pass

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Little Kennebago Lake, Franklin County." (H. P. 317) (L. D. 434) reported that the same Ought to pass

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Rabbit Hunting in Washington County." (H. P. 352) (L. D. 432) reported that the same Ought to pass

(On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence. Sent down for concurrence.)

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Rabbit Hunting in Hancock County." (H. P. 356) (L. D. 486) reported that the same Ought to pass.

(On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence. Sent down for concurrence.)

The Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Females." (H. P. 422) (L. D. 599) reported that the same Ought to pass

The Committee on Public Health on Bill, "An Act Relating to Fees for Licenses of Funeral Directors and Embalmers." (H. P. 12) (L. D. 11) 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.

**Ought to Pass—as amended**

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Regulating Fishing for White Perch in China Lake, Kennebec County." (H. P. 50) (L. D. 74) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended with Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 24)

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Bell Pond, Piscataquis County." (H. P. 124) (L. D. 162) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended with Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 29)

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Black Bass Fishing in Sebec Lake, Piscataquis County." (H. P. 161) (L. D. 208) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended with Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 31)

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating White Perch Fishing in Sebec Lake, Piscataquis County." (H. P. 162) (L. D. 209) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended with Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 28)

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Rabbit Hunting in Kennebec County." (H. P. 209) (L. D. 293) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended with Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 30)

(On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, recommended to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence. Sent down for concurrence.)

The Committee on Natural Resources on "Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Land in Woodland, Aroostook County." (H. P. 139) (L. D. 177) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment A (Filing No. 17)

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

**Ought to Pass—N. D.—New Title**

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Closing Saddleback Mountain Ponds in

Franklin County to Fishing Except Fly Fishing." (H. P. 7) (L. D. 6) reported the same in a New Draft (H. P. 651) (L. D. 897) with New Title:

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Saddleback Mountain Ponds in Franklin County." and that it Ought to pass.

The same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Houston Pond, Franklin County." (H. P. 111) (L. D. 149) reported the same in a New Draft (H. P. 650) (L. D. 896) with New Title:

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Houston Brook, Franklin and Somerset Counties." and that it Ought to pass.

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Resolves in New Drafts and under New Titles read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

**Ought to Pass**

The Committee on Retirements and Pensions on Bill, "An Act Relating to Military Leave Credits under State Personnel Law." (H. P. 143) (L. D. 181) reported that the same Ought to pass.

Comes from House, report accepted, House Amendment A (Filing No. 21) adopted, and bill as so amended passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, the report was accepted in concurrence, House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Military Leave Credits under State Retirement System." (H. P. 144) (L. D. 182) reported that the same Ought to pass.

Comes from House, report accepted, House Amendment A (Filing No. 22) adopted, and bill as so amended passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, the report was accepted in concurrence, House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

**Senate Papers**

The following bills and resolves were transmitted by the Director of

Legislative Research, pursuant to Joint Order (H. P. 43) and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following committees:

**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Mr. Fournier of York presented "Resolve Reimbursing Liquor Commission for Working Capital for Warehouse Construction." (S. P. 361)

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

**Business Legislation**

Mr. Martin of Kennebec presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate Liberty Finance Company." (S. P. 362)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Liberty Loan Corporation of Bangor." (S. P. 363)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate Liberty Loan Corporation of Cumberland." (S. P. 364)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate Liberty Loan Corporation of Caribou." (S. P. 365)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate Liberty Loan Corporation of Auburn." (S. P. 366)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act to Incorporate Liberty Loan Corporation of Augusta." (S. P. 367)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Business Legislation and ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

**Inland Fisheries and Game**

Mr. Carpenter of Somerset presented "Resolve Opening Chub Pond, Somerset County, to Ice Fishing." (S. P. 368)

Which was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Mr. Silsby of Hancock presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Persons Qualified to Serve as Jurors." (S. P. 369)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Providing a Uniform Date for City and Town Caucuses." (S. P. 370)

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented

Bill, "An Act Increasing Payments to Penobscot County Law Library." (S. P. 371)

The same Senator presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Definition of Fiduciary Under Law Appointing Nominees by Banking Institutions." (S. P. 372)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Natural Resources**

Mr. Carpenter of Somerset presented "Resolve Authorizing Department of Inland Fisheries and Game to Acquire Certain Lands and Water Rights in Town of Pembroke." (S. P. 373)

Which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Public Health**

Mrs. Lord of Cumberland presented Bill, "An Act Revising Laws Relating to Registered Nurses and Practical Nurses." (S. P. 374)

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**State Government**

Mr. Dunn of Kennebec presented Bill, "An Act Relating to the Appointment of a Temporary Deputy Commissioner." (S. P. 375)

Mr. Farley of York presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Itemized Statements Filed by Legislative Counsel and Agents." (S. P. 376)

Which were referred to the Committee on State Government and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Towns and Counties**

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented Bill, "An Act Relating to Stenographic Services in Cases Before Referees." (S. P. 377)

Which was referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Taxation

Mr. Parker of Piscataquis presented

Joint Resolution Memorializing Congress to enact Legislation concerning unjustified price increases in crude oil and refined petroleum products. (S. P. 378)

Which was received by unanimous consent, and on motion by Mr. Parker of Piscataquis, was referred to the Committee on Taxation and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Senate Committee Reports Ought to Pass

Mr. Reed from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill, "An Act Relating to Time for Harness Race Meets." (S. P. 244) (L. D. 645) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to the Issuance of License for Harness Racing." (S. P. 245) (L. D. 646) reported that the same Ought to pass.

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

#### Ought to Pass—as Amended

Mr. Cole from the Committee on Highways on "Resolve Designating New Bridge to Span Jonesport Reach from the Town of Jonesport to the Town of Beals as 'Beals Bridge.'" (S. P. 175) (L. D. 454) reported that the same Ought to pass as Amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was read and accepted and the resolve read once. Committee Amendment A was adopted, without reading and the resolve as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

#### Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following Bills and Resolves:

#### House—as Amended

Bill, "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Brewer High School District."

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption:

Senate Amendment A to Committee Amendment A to H. P. 284, L. D. 380. "Amend said amendment by inserting before the period at the end of the next to last sentence the following punctuation and words: '; but failure of approval of this amendment to the charter by the necessary percentage of voters at such election or otherwise shall not prevent a second election being held at any annual election of the city of Brewer held on or before December 31, 1957'."

Which amendment was adopted and the bill as amended by Committee Amendment A as amended by Senate Amendment A theretowas read a second time and passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Senate

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

Bill, "An Act Clarifying the Boxing Law." (S. P. 84) (L. D. 194)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Registration of Farm Tractors." (S. P. 152) (L. D. 350)

Bill, "An Act Repealing Law Relating to Deposits of Mercantile Employees." (S. P. 155) (L. D. 402)

Bill, "An Act Amending the Maine Fidelity Life Insurance Company." (S. P. 173) (L. D. 452)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of City of Portland Police and Fire Departments." (S. P. 179) (L. D. 458)

Bill, "An Act Ratifying Deed Given by the State to Francis S. Harwood of Augusta." (S. P. 214) (L. D. 559)

"Resolve Authorizing the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries to Convey Certain Land of State in Washington County." (S. P. 182) (L. D. 461)

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

Sent down for concurrence.



**Senate—as Amended**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Approval of Policy or Endorsement Forms by the Insurance Commissioner." (S. P. 172) (L. D. 451)

Bill, "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Portland." (S. P. 203) (L. D. 548)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

**Enactors**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following Bills and Resolves:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Cremation of Old State Bonds." (S. P. 33) (L. D. 40)

Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the General Finance Co." (S. P. 67) (L. D. 115)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Time of Payments by Counties and Towns Under Bridge Act." (S. P. 59) (L. D. 81)

Bill, "An Act to Repeal the Act Creating the Dixfield Village Corporation." (H. P. 34) (L. D. 47)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Procedure for Municipal Tax Collectors in Settling Accounts When Removing from Municipalities." (H. P. 71) (L. D. 98)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Examination of Dog Shelters by State Humane Agents." (H. P. 133) (L. D. 171)

Bill, "An Act to Repeal the Act Incorporating the Town of Rumford School District." (H. P. 182) (L. D. 245)

"Resolve Designating Part of U. S. Route 202 and Route 111 as Carl Broggi Memorial Highway." (H. P. 5) (L. D. 4)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Haley Pond, Franklin County." (H. P. 113) (L. D. 151)

"Resolve Prohibiting Live Fish as Bait in Spring Lake, Somerset County." (H. P. 115) (L. D. 153)

"Resolve Prohibiting Live Fish as Bait in Spring Lake, Somerset County." (H. P. 115) (L. D. 153)

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Tim Pond, Franklin County." (H. P. 117) (L. D. 155)

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted and the resolves finally passed.

On motion by Mr. Sinclair of Somerset, the following resolves were laid upon the Special Appropriations Table pending final passage:

"Resolve Reimbursing Town of Bristol for Certain Pauper Claims" (H. P. 46) (L. D. 77)

"Resolve in Favor of Martin Brothers of Van Buren." (H. P. 65) (L. D. 577)

"Resolve in Favor of Town of Milo for Aid to Emile Thibodeau." (H. P. 87) (L. D. 573)

"Resolve in Favor of Norman M. Dyer of Ellsworth." (H. P. 101) (L. D. 579)

"Resolve to Reimburse Town of Limestone for Aid Extended to Marion Joseph of Limestone." (H. P. 103) (L. D. 580)

"Resolve in Favor of Town of Milo for Aid to Mabelle Brawn." (H. P. 156) (L. D. 581)

**Emergency**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Procedure of Municipal Tax Collectors in Issuing Warrants of Distress." (H. P. 70) (L. D. 97)

Which bill, being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 26 members of the Senate, was passed to be enacted.

**Emergency**

Bill, "An Act to Establish a Polling Place on Chebeague Island, Cumberland County." (H. P. 393) (L. D. 524)

Which bill, being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 27 members of the Senate, was passed to be enacted.

**Orders of the Day**

Mr. COLE of Waldo: Mr. President, may I inquire if Senate Paper 352, Legislative Document 940 is in the possession of the Senate, it being An Act Relating to Weight of Commercial Vehicles.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the document is in the possession of the Senate, having

been held at the request of the Senator from Waldo, Senator Cole.

On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, and the same Senator presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption.

Which amendment was adopted without reading, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Set down for concurrence.

Mrs. LORD of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mrs. LORD: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I believe it is very fitting that we should pause briefly to pay honor to the greatest and most beloved American poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

He was born in Portland, February 27, 1807, just one hundred and fifty years ago today.

On the site of the house where he was born a monument is being dedicated today by the International Longfellow Society, in the form of a large boulder from the farm of the Wadsworth family in Hiram, with a suitable plaque attached.

The house was razed this past summer. The birth-room was preserved and has been given to Bowdoin College by the International Longfellow Society. This room will be reconstructed in some building on the Bowdoin Campus. It is very fitting that this should be done, because we all know that Longfellow attended Bowdoin College and was also a professor there for some years.

I am quoting from an Anthology of New England Poets:

"Longfellow has been alternately overpraised and belittled for the very characteristics which made him America's favorite household poet. The characterization is not undeserved, for the author of "Paul Revere's Ride," "The Village Blacksmith," "Evangeline," and "Hiawatha" always was, and still remains, close to the heart of his country. Nor is his reputation confined to his own land. Throughout the world, more people are more familiar with Longfellow than with any other American poet."

And to quote briefly from an editorial in this morning's Press Herald:

"Many newspapers and magazines have been carrying material and pictures relating to the poet; and no doubt exercises in many or most of the schools of the Country—especially, of course, of the schools of the poet's native State—are celebrating this natal day with enthusiasm and devotion. No longer, to be sure, are Longfellow's poems read in the family circle under the evening lamps, family circles and reading aloud are no more. But it could be that the emphasis this year, today, upon Longfellow, the poet, may send many an adult reader to his poems, there to find a forgotten pleasure in the simple verse which everybody can understand. That might be good for the people who have lost interest in poetry of such moderns as T. S. Eliot."

I should like to close by reading the last stanza of the poem "The Building of the Ship":

"Thou, too, sail on, O Ship of State!  
Sail on, O Union, strong and great!  
Humanity with all its fears,  
With all the hopes of future years,  
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!  
We know what Master laid thy keel,  
What Workmen wrought thy ribs of steel,  
Who made each mast, and sail, and rope,  
What anvils rang, what hammers beat,  
In what a forge and what a heat  
Were shaped the anchors of thy hope!  
Fear not each sudden sound and shock,  
'Tis of the wave and not the rock:  
'Tis but the flapping of the sail,  
And not a rent made by the gale!  
In spite of rock and tempest's roar,  
In spite of false lights on the shore,  
Sail on, nor fear to breast the sea!  
Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,  
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers,  
Our tears,  
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,  
Are all with thee,—are all with thee!"

The Chair laid before the Senate, the first tabled and especially as-

signed matter being Senate Report "Ought Not to pass" from the Committee on Taxation on Bill, "An Act Directing Public Utilities to File Schedule of Property Valuation with Municipal Assessors." (S. P. 187) (L. D. 466) tabled on February 26 by the Senator from Knox, Senator Low, pending acceptance of the report; and on further motion by the same Senator, the ought not to pass report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Sagadahoc, the Senate voted to take from the table House Report "Ought to pass" from the Committee on Public Health on Bill, "An Act Relating to Depositing Carcass of Domestic Fowl to Cause Nuisance." (H. P. 289) (L. D. 385) tabled by that Senator on February 21 pending consideration of House Amendment B; and on further motion by the same Senator, House Amendment B was adopted, and the bill as amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Low of Knox was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. LOW: Mr. President and members of the Senate: It now seems that the bill to supplement the Jacobs' Report, sponsored by the Senator from Somerset, Senator Sinclair, will be printed by next Tuesday. This is a long bill and does a great deal to reorganize the entire educational set-up in the towns. It seems worth while to have a joint meeting of the House and

Senate to explain the various provisions of this bill, and it is planned to do so next Tuesday evening. Members of the Department who have been instrumental in writing a good deal of the bill will be there; the Commissioner of Education will be there; and the Governor has indicated that he would like to attend if possible. The bill is so long and so involved that it really seems worthwhile to discuss it. I hope that all the members who can will be there on Tuesday night.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair at this time notes in the Senate Chamber a group of youngsters from the 7th and 8th grades of Garland Junior High School of Bangor, members of the Jewish Community Center. We appreciate your visiting with us and I commend to you particularly, the two able Senators from Penobscot, Senators Woodcock and Hillman who will be more than pleased to serve as both your hosts and guides wherever you want to go in the statehouse. Thank you for coming.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would note that the next legislative day is the only day of the session when absences can be accounted for only by unanimous consent. The Chair would ask the Senate to take his word that we want to have a full attendance the next legislative day.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Cumberland,

Adjourned until 1:00 p.m. tomorrow.