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SENATE

Monday, June 1, 1959

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Royal Brown of Gardiner.

On motion by Mr. Parker of Piscataquis,

Journal of last Friday read and approved.

Papers from the House

“Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution for Appointment of Attorney General by the Governor with Consent of the Senate.” (S. P. 85) (L. D. 435)

Comes from the House, indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot, the Senate voted to insist on its previous action and request a Committee of Conference. The President appointed as Senate conferees Senators: Hillman of Penobscot, Ross of Sagadahoc, Lessard of Androscoggin.

Bill, “An Act Increasing Salary of Members of the Legislature.” (H. P. 15) (L. D. 24)

In Senate on May 28, indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, that body having insisted upon its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A (Filing 61), now asks for Committee of Conference.

The Speaker appointed the following as conferees on the part of the House:

- Representatives:
 HAUGN of Bridgton
 ROLLINS of Belfast
 JALBERT of Lewiston

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot, the Senate voted to insist on its former action and join with the House in a Committee of Conference. The President appointed as Senate Conferees, Senator Hillman of Penobscot, Ross of Sagadahoc, Lessard of Androscoggin.

State of Maine
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 Office of the Clerk
 Augusta

May 28, 1959

Honorable Chester T. Winslow
 Secretary of the Senate
 99th Legislature

Sir:

The Speaker today appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House on the disagreeing actions of the two branches of the Legislature on:

JOINT RESOLUTION Memorializing Congress to Equalize Wage Rates Between Boston and Kittery-Portsmouth Naval Shipyards. (H. P. 913) (L. D. 1287)

Messrs.

- DENNETT of Kittery
 MATHEWS of Berwick
 PLANTE of Old Orchard Beach

JOINT ORDER Relative to Directing Legislative Research Committee to Study Insurance Companies. (H. P. 352)

Messrs.

- EARLES of South Portland
 EDMUNDS of Fort Fairfield
 DAVIS of Westbrook

Respectfully,

(Signed)

HARVEY R. PEASE
 Clerk of the House

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

**Senate Committee Reports
 Ought to Pass**

Mr. Duquette from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on

Bill, “An Act Creating a Committee to Study Establishment of Vocational Facilities for the Mentally Ill and Retarded.” (S. P. 226) (L. D. 970) reported that the same Ought to Pass.

Which report was read and accepted and the bill read once. Under suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Ought to Pass - as Amended

Mr. Pierce, from the same Committee on Bill, “An Act to Reactivate a Maine Committee on Prob-

lems of the Mentally Retarded." (S. P. 195) (L. D. 538) reported that the same Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was read and accepted and the bill read once. Committee Amendment A was read and adopted, and under suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Enactors

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

Bill, "An Act Repealing Certain Disqualifications of Benefits Under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 397) (L. D. 580)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Standards of Quality in Egg Grading Law." (H. P. 762) (L. D. 762)

Bill, "An Act Amending the Maine Housing Authorities Act." (H. P. 967) (L. D. 1373)

(On motion by Mr. Charles of Cumberland, tabled pending passage to be enacted and especially assigned for Wednesday next.)

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted.

"Resolve Providing Matching Funds for Federal National Defense Education Allotments." (H. P. 580) (L. D. 827)

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the resolve was placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending final passage.

"Resolve Providing Funds for a Referral Center at Farmington State Teacher's College for Assistance to Teachers." (H. P. 711) (L. D. 1016)

(On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the resolve was placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending final passage.)

"Resolve Appropriating Moneys to Town of Robbinston for Development of Recreational Areas." (S. P. 362) (L. D. 1045)

(On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the resolve was placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending final passage.)

"Resolve Authorizing Aeronautic Commission to Conduct an

Augusta-Waterville Airport Survey." (S. P. 501) (L. D. 1383)

Which resolve was finally passed.

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the 1st tabled and today assigned item being bill, "An Act Relating to Weekly Benefits for Total Unemployment under Employment Security Law." (H. P. 969) (L. D. 1378) tabled on May 29 by the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Ross pending passage to be engrossed; and that Senator moved that the bill be passed to be engrossed.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin, the bill was laid upon the table pending motion by Mr. Ross of Sagadahoc that the bill be passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table the 18th table item being bill, "An Act Directing a Study of Property Tax Administration" (S. P. 129) (L. D. 324) tabled by that Senator on May 21 pending motion by Senator Pierce of Hancock to recede and concur.

Thereupon, Mr. Pierce of Hancock was granted permission to withdraw his motion; and on motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to insist on its former action and ask for a Committee of Conference. The President named as Senate conferees, Senators Rogerson of Aroostook, Woodcock of Penobscot and Lessard of Androscoggin.

Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. LESSARD: Mr. President and members of the Senate: One of our members today is enjoying and celebrating a birthday. I spoke to the Senator and the Senator told me his age. I wanted to know for sure. He tells me he is thirty-nine today.

May I ask the Senate to offer congratulations and many happy returns to the Senator from Kennebec County, Senator Leo Dunn? (Applause, members rising)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair thanks the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard for making

these appropriate comments concerning the birthday of the distinguished Senator from Kennebec, Senator Leo Dunn.

Does Senator Dunn care to be heard?

Mr. DUNN of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Sen-

ate: I hoped to keep that a secret until after the Senate had adjourned. Thank you, gentlemen. (Applause)

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin,

Adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow morning.