

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

One Hundred and Sixth

Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1973

KENNEBEC JOURNAL
AUGUSTA, MAINE

814) (Presented by Mrs. Clark of Freeport)
 (Ordered Printed)
 Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act to Authorize the State Housing Authority to Adopt a State Building Code" (H. P. 813)
 (Presented by Mr. Donaghy of Lubec)

The Committee on Reference of Bills suggested the Committee on State Government.

(On motion of Mr. Emery of Rockland, tabled pending reference and tomorrow assigned.)

Taxation

Bill "An Act Relating to Exemptions from Taxation of Institutions and Organizations" (H. P. 796)
 (Presented by Mr. LaPointe of Portland)

Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Retail Sale under Sales and Use Tax Law" (H. P. 802)
 (Presented by Mrs. Baker of Orrington)

Bill "An Act to Allow Sales Tax Exemption for Veterans Organizations for Materials Purchased for Capital Improvements" (H. P. 806)
 (Presented by Mr. Jacques of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Providing for a Tax on Petroleum Products and Refineries to Promote Environmental Protection" (H. P. 819)
 (Presented by Mr. Emery of Rockland)

(Ordered Printed)
 Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act Eliminating "Vacationland" from Motor Vehicle Number Plates" (H. P. 808)
 (Presented by Mrs. Najarian of Portland)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Portland, Mrs. Najarian.

Mrs. NAJARIAN: Mr. Speaker, I move that this item be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

(On motion of Mr. Simpson of Standish, tabled pending reference and tomorrow assigned.)

Transportation

Bill "An Act Creating a Municipal Advisory Committee on Highway Locations" (H. P. 824)
 (Presented by Mr. Rollins of Dixfield)

(Ordered Printed)
 Sent up for concurrence.

Veterans and Retirement

Resolve Providing a Pension for Raymond E. Thurston of Union (H. P. 658)
 (Presented by Mrs. McCormick of Union) (Emergency)

(Ordered Printed)
 Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

Tabled and Assigned

On motion of Mr. Rollins of Dixfield, the House reconsidered its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act Relating to Federal and State Standards and Labeling of Milk and Milk Products" (H. P. 234) (L. D. 315) was passed to be engrossed.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the House reconsidered its action whereby House Amendment "A" (H-37) was adopted and on further motion of the same gentleman, the Amendment was indefinitely postponed.

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

House Amendment "B" (H-49) was read by the Clerk.

(On motion of Mr. Evans of Freedom, tabled pending the adoption of House Amendment "B" and specially assigned for Monday, February 26.)

On motion of Mr. Evans of Freedom, the House reconsidered its action of yesterday whereby Bill "An Act to Regulate the Conditions Under Which a Dealer May Reject Milk from a Producer" (H. P. 775) was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston presented the following Joint Resolution and moved its adoption:

WE, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representa-

tives of the State of Maine in the One Hundred and Sixth Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

WHEREAS, medically a n d scientifically a human embryo or fetus exists as a living and growing human individual from the moment of conception; and

WHEREAS, the moment of birth represents merely an identifiable point along the course of human development and not the beginning of human life; and

WHEREAS, respect for human life has been a hallmark of civilized society for millennia; and

WHEREAS, the Maine Legislature has supported and shown concern for the life of the unborn child by rejecting all attempts to liberalize, modify or change the State's abortion law; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has withdrawn all legal protection from an entire class of human beings, namely, the unborn; and

WHEREAS, the Maine Legislature wishes to voice its disapproval of the United States Supreme Court's decision; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, your Memorialists, pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, do hereby make application to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the sole and exclusive purpose of proposing to the several states a constitutional amendment which shall provide as follows:

1. As used in the Fifth and Fourteenth Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, dealing with the deprivation of life, the word "person" shall apply to every human being from the moment of conception, regardless of age, illness or infirmity.

2. Nothing herein shall prohibit any state from adopting such laws as are necessary to preserve the life the expectant mother.

3. Congress and the several states shall have the power to enforce this amendment by appropriate legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this application shall constitute a continuing

application for such convention pursuant to Article V until the Legislatures of two-thirds of the states shall have made like applications and such convention shall have been called by the Congress of the United States unless previously rescinded by this One Hundred and Sixth Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED: That certified copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation and to the Legislatures of each of the several states attesting the adoption of this resolution by the One Hundred and Sixth Legislature of the State of Maine. (H. P. 857)

The Joint Resolution was read.

(On motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, tabled pending adoption and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 28, at 10 o'clock in the morning)

House Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Hancock from the Committee on Election Laws reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Time for Filing Application for Election Recounts" (H. P. 115) (L. D. 135)

Mr. Ross from the Committee on Election Laws reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Determining Position of Names of Candidates on Primary Ballots and General Election Ballots" (H. P. 261) (L. D. 341)

In accordance with Joint Rule 17-A, were placed in the legislative files and sent to the Senate.

Consent Calendar First Day

(S. P. 67) (L. D. 169) Bill "An Act Relating to Holding Property and Changing the Name of United Baptist Convention of Maine" Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to Pass"

No objection having been noted, was assigned to the Consent Calendar's Second Day list.

(H. P. 167) (L. D. 209) Bill "An Act Relating to Membership on