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SENATE

Friday, January 28, 1966 Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Ondon Stairs of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. Duquette of York, the Journal of yesterday was Read and Approved.

Papers from the House Non-concurrent Matters

Bill, "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Ellsworth as to Nominations and Elections." (S. P 613) (L. D 1614)

In Senate, January 26, Passed to be engrossed As Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-376)

Comes from the House Passed to be engrossed As Amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-376) and as amended by House Amendment "A" in non-concurrence. (H-500)

On motion by Mr. Brown of Hancock, the Senate voted to recede and concur.

Bill, "An Act Establishing the Maine Insurance Advisory Board and Reserve Fund for Uninsured Losses." (H. P. 1288) (L. D. 1793)

In House, January 25, Passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "B" (H-477) In Senate January 26, Passed to be engrossed as amended by

to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "B" in concurrence.

Comes from the House Engrossment Reconsidered and passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "B" as amended by House Amendment "A" (H-497) thereto, in non-concurrence.

Voted to recede and concur.

Orders

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on State Government is hereby authorized to report a Bill which shall provide for a Senatorial Apportionment Commission. (H. P. 1296)

Comes from the House Read and passed.

In the Senate: Read and passed in concurrence.

Enactors

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

Bill, "An Act to Establish the Office of Federal-State Coordinator" (H. P. 1270) (L. D. 1765) On motion by Mr. Duquette of York, placed on the Special Appropriations table pending enactment.

Bond Issue

Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Construct an Office Building for the State Highway Commission." (H. P. 1194) (L. D. 1662)

On motion by Mr. Duquette of York, placed on the Special Appropriations table ending enactment.

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the first tabled and today assigned matter:

(S. P. 624) (L. D. 1630) Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Affecting the Apportionment of the State Senate. Tabled January 27, 1966 by Senator Harding of Aroostook.

Pending — Motion by Senator Manuel of Aroostook to Reconsider Final Passage.

Mr. HARDING of Aroostook: Mr. President, I would like to speak briefly on this matter if I may.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator may.

Mr. HARDING: The reason that this matter was held after enactment for consideration was that we wished to get information from the Supreme Court as to the constitutionality of this provision. We now have received an opinion from the Court and this proposed amendment is constitutional according to our Supreme Court. We know the will of this body to enact this amendment to the Constitution for the reapportionment of the Maine State Senate, and this body has been commended, and rightfully so, for the courageous action which you have taken in this regard.

Now on the motion which Senator Manuel made, I do not believe I need to speak for Senator Manuel, because he can speak for himself if need be, but I am sure he is agreed that he does not wish to reconsider this. I am going to ask for a division on his motion and I ask that you all vote against his motion for reconsideration.

The PRESIDENT: The motion before the Senate is the motion to reconsider enactment of L. D. 1630. A division has been requested. All those in favor of the reconsideration motion will please rise and remain standing until counted.

A division was had.

No senators having voted in the affirmative and 30 in the negative, the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The President laid before the Senate the second tabled and today assigned matter:

(S. P. 607) (L. D. 1632) Senate Report — Ought not to pass, as Covered by other Legislation from the Committee on State Government on Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Affecting the Apportionment of the State Senate.

Tabled—January 27, 1966 by Senator Harding of Aroostook.

Pending-Acceptance of Report.

Mr. HARDING of Aroostook: Mr. President, in view of the action we have just taken, there is no purpose for this particular bill at this time, so I do move the acceptance of the Majority Report.

Thereupon the Senate voted to accept the Majority "Ought not to pass" report of the committee.

The President laid before the Senate the third tabled and today assigned matter:

(S. P. 660) (L. D. 1693) Senate Report — Ought to pass from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill, "An Act Relating to Acquisition of Land and Materials for Highway Purposes." Tabled—January 27, 1966 by Senator Violette of Aroostook.

Pending—Acceptance of Report. On motion by Mr. Violette of Aroostook, tabled until later in today's session pending acceptance of the committee report.

The President laid before the Senate the fourth tabled and today assigned matter:

(S. P. 675) (L. D. 1713) Bill, "An Act for Licensing Private Detectives and Watch, Guard and Patrol Agencies."

Tabled—January 27, 1966 by Senator Jacques of Androscoggin.

Pending--consideration.

Mr. JACQUES of Androscoggin: Mr. President, would you please read House Amendment "A"?

House Amendment "A" was read by the Secretary.

On motion by Mr. Jacques of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to consider its action whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

House Amendment "A" was read by the Secretary. On motion by the same Senator, House Amendment "A" was indefinitely postponed. On motion by Senator Manuel, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby it adopted Senate Amendment "C". The same Senator presented Senate Amendment "A" to Senate Amendment "C". Senate Amendment "A" to Senate Amendment "C" to Senate Amendment "A" was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed in nonconcurrence. Sent down for concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the 5th tabled and today assigned matter:

(H. P. 1196) (L. D. 1664) House Report—Ought to pass from the Committee on State Government on Bill, "An Act Creating the Maine State Museum."

Tabled—January 27, 1966 by Senator Snow of Cumberland.

Pending—Acceptance of Report.

On motion by Mr. Snow of Cumberland, the report of the committee was accepted and the bill was given its two several