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Which were Read a Second Time and, except for the tabled matters, Passed to be Engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate the matter set aside at the request of Mr. Wyman of Washington: Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Permit Insurance of Payments on Mortgage Loans Made for Service Enterprises and for Preservation of Certain Business Enterprises. (S. P. 391) (L. D. 1316)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: As usual I lost my papers, but I have found them now. I am not a very good housekeeper. I present Senate Amendment "A" and move its adoption. This merely covers an oversight on the part of the committee. At the last special session the Legislature, and the voters afterwards, provided for an \$80 million limit on the guaranteed loans in order to take care of the Bath Iron Works deal. Somehow this was cut back to \$40 million in the L. D. This merely changes the \$40 million to \$80 million.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, offers Senate Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Secretary will read the amendment.

Senate Amendment "A", Filing No. S-203 was Read and Adopted and the Resolve, as Amended, Passed to be Engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Senate - As Amended

Bill, "An Act Providing for a State Pilotage System for the Penobscot Bay and River, Maine." (S. P. 338) (L. D. 1136)

Which was Read a Second Time.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Senator Beliveau.

Mr. BELIVEAU of Oxford: Mr. President, I move that this bill be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Oxford, Senator Beliveau, now moves that Bill, "An Act Pro-

viding for a State Pilotage System for the Penobscot Bay and River, Maine" be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Knox, Senator Hoffses.

Mr. HOFFSES of Knox: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I move this item lie upon the table until the next legislative day.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Knox, Senator Hoffses, moves that Item 7-15, L. D. 1136, be tabled and specially assigned for Tuesday next.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry.

Mr. BERRY of Cumberland: Mr. President, as an exercise in futility, I request a division on the tabling motion.

Thereupon, a division was had. Nine Senators having voted in the affirmative, and sixteen Senators having voted in the negative, the tabling motion did not prevail.

Mr. Anderson of Hancock was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I find myself in agreement with the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry. If I have counted correctly, fourteen bills have been tabled here today, and I think that many of them could have been debated. If we keep this up we will be here until August.

Mr. Mills of Franklin was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. MILLS: Mr. President, I hesitate to depart from obvious leadership requests like this one for tabling, but we have got to work today and we have got to get something done. I have got some things that I might like to table later on, but I am not going to ask for it. I will go to bat on everything else I have got on there, and I will work here until six o'clock if the rest of you will. We have got to get this work done.

Mr. Katz of Kennebec was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. KATZ: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Yesterday was our talking day. Our journal was longer than that of the House, as it was the day before. Today

is our tabling day. The ways of the Senate are particularly mysterious to me, but I have had a feeling that within reason we should permit tabling as a courtesy, perhaps not as a gimmick to get our own end, but as a courtesy to somebody who has to do some work on a bill. This is why, as Majority Floor Leader, I have not been popping up and asking for divisions. I think the discipline is going to have to be more self-imposed than imposed from the rest of us, because my position has been not to slap somebody across the nose, but make a plea that we should table only when absolutely essential, and then extend the courtesy to the person whose judgment it is that the tabling is absolutely essential.

My Wyman of Washington was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. WYMAN: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I agree with the good Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz. Just because it is the closing weeks, we hope, of this Senate, and the fact that we do have a lot of bills, I think we want to be responsible, and a good many of them need careful consideration. I think to move these bills along immediately a good many times can result in irresponsible legislation. The bills come fast, we have had a good many of them and haven't had time to read them, and I certainly am not going to object to tabling them for just one day. I agree we shouldn't table them for a week, or three, four or five days, but I would rather stay here longer and have responsible legislation develop.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Katz of Kennebec, tabled until later in today's session, pending the motion by Mr. Beliveau of Oxford that the Bill be Indefinitely Postponed.

#### Enactors

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

An Act to Exempt Unremarried Widows of Certain Paraplegic Veterans from Property Taxation. (H. P. 1206) (L. D. 1533)

An Act to Make Allocations from Bond Issue for Construction and Equipment of Pollution Abatement Facilities. (H. P. 1187) (L. D. 1511)

(On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)

An Act Relating to Boilers and Unfired Steam Pressure Vessels. (H. P. 1100) (L. D. 1417)

An Act Regarding the Membership of School Committees and Boards of School Directors. (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1265)

An Act Relating to the Men's and Women's Correctional Centers. (H. P. 934) (L. D. 1195)

An Act Appropriating Funds for the Operation of the Maine Mining Commission. (H. P. 882) (L. D. 1141)

(On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)

An Act Revising the Short Form Deeds Act. (H. P. 556) (L. D. 737)

An Act Relating to Admission to the Pineland Hospital and Training Center. (H. P. 550) (L. D. 729)

An Act Revising Certain Probate Laws. (H. P. 522) (L. D. 693)

(On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)

An Act Relating to Trial and Ratio Evidence in Appeals for Abatement of Property Taxes. (H. P. 449) (L. D. 572)

An Act Relating to Liability of Landowners to Operators of Snow Traveling Vehicles. (H. P. 285) (L. D. 361)

An Act Licensing Administrators of Medical Care Facilities Other Than Hospitals. (S. P. 311) (L. D. 1026)

An Act to Prohibit Possession of Machine Guns. (S. P. 298) (L. D. 991)

An Act Revising the Laws Relating to the Law Court. (S. P. 170) (L. D. 544)

An Act Increasing Salaries and Duties of Liquor Commissioners Other Than the Chairman. (S. P. 151) (L. D. 432)

(On motion by Mr. Sewall of Penobscot, placed on the Special Appropriations Table.)