

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ly those courtesies, and I believe we have gone beyond in some cases those extended by the majority party of the 102nd Legislature to the minority party.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Harding, has requested that the vote be taken by the "Yeas" and "Nays." As many as are in favor of taking the vote by the "Yeas" and "Nays" will stand in their places until counted.

Obviously a sufficient number having arisen, the vote will be taken by the "Yeas" and "Nays." The pending question is on the motion of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, that we accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee. As many as are in favor of the motion will vote "Yes"; those opposed to the motion, "No." The Secretary will call the roll.

#### ROLL CALL

**YEAS:** Senators Albair, Anderson, Barnes, Beckett, Berry, Brewer, Curtis, Ferguson, Good, Greeley, Hildreth, Hoffses, Johnson, Katz, Lund, MacLeod, Mills, Ross, Sewall, Viles, Wyman, Young, and President Campbell.

**NAYS:** Senators Boisvert, Coururier, Duquette, Farley, Girard, Harding, Norris, Reny, Snow, Stern.

**ABSENT:** Senator Sproul.

A roll call was had. 23 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee was accepted in concurrence.

#### Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on State Government on Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for the Appointment of the Treasurer of State by the Governor. (H. P. 248) (L. D. 356) reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

(Signed)  
Senators:

WYMAN of Washington  
LUND of Kennebec

Representatives:

DENNETT of Kittery  
WATTS of Machias  
CORNELL of Orono  
RIDEOUT of Manchester  
PHILBROOK

of South Portland

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter, reported that the same Ought to Pass

(Signed)

Senator:

STERN of Penobscot

Representatives:

MARTIN of Eagle Lake  
STARBERD

of Kingman Township

Comes from the House, Majority Ought Not to Pass Report, Read and Accepted.

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

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I move we accept the Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, moves that we now accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Harding.

Mr. HARDING of Aroostook: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: As we move on this black Friday, I think this particular measure points up all of the arguments best to be made about control of our State Government.

You have seen in 1964, I believe it was, that the Legislature had a study made as far as investing state funds was concerned, I believe it was the P.A.S. Report, and it was pointed out that we were wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars of taxpayers' money by not having our money invested; it was just lying idle in the banks.

As I mentioned, when you have 185 bosses you have no boss, and this went unnoticed and the State of Maine lost millions of dollars thereby. This is the best example of all. I want the people of Maine to know how the members of the Senate feel about this, so that if we wish to fall into the same pos-

sible misfortune again they should correct it. I would hope that you vote against the motion of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, because this is a case where we have demonstrated by the office itself how unwise this constitutional provision is. Again, Mr. President, when the vote is taken I ask that it be taken by the "Yeas and "Nays."

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Barnes.

Mr. BARNES of Aroostook: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I want to say here that I have a great deal of respect for the ability of our Minority Leader. I live in the same town with him and we are friends. I have a great deal of respect for his ability, and when he refers to "rank discourtesy" I am willing to overlook that.

I have a great deal of respect and admiration for all the members of this body, including those of the minority party. I have enjoyed my association with them during this session, and I hope to continue to do so.

As a freshman legislator, I have no reluctance to go back to my constituents and tell them or show them how I voted on these issues. Reference has been made on two or three occasions this morning that we will be judged by the people of the State of Maine. I want to remind the gentleman from Aroostook, my good friend, Senator Harding, that the people of the State of Maine elected the members of this body, as they did in the other body, and I think they have confidence in the judgment and ability of the members of both bodies to make decisions here. I think the people who have been elected by the voters of the State of Maine have the good judgment and ability to make decisions on issues.

Reference has been made to the fact that this is progressive legislation. I am amazed that the State of Maine has been able to survive over all these years with the set-up in government we have enjoyed over all these years. So, I would rise to support the motion that this

Majority Ought Not to Pass Report be accepted.

The PRESIDENT: Is the Senate ready for the question? The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Harding, has requested that the vote be taken by the "Yeas" and "Nays." In order for the vote to be so taken it must be the expressed desire of at least one-fifth of the members present. Those Senators in favor of a roll call will stand in their places and remain standing until counted.

A sufficient number having arisen, the roll call is ordered. The pending question again is on the motion of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, that we accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report. Those in favor of accepting the Ought Not to Pass Report will answer "Yes"; those opposed "No." The Secretary will call the roll.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS: Senators Albair, Anderson, Barnes, Beckett, Berry, Brewer, Curtis, Ferguson, Good, Greeley, Hildreth, Hoffses, Johnson, Katz, Lund, MacLeod, Mills, Ross, Sewall, Viles, Wyman, Young, and President Campbell.

NAYS: Senators Boisvert, Couturier, Duquette, Farley, Girard, Harding, Norris, Reny, Snow, Stern.

ABSENT: Senator Sproul.

A roll call was had. 23 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the Ought Not to Pass Report of the Committee was accepted in concurrence.

#### Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on State Government on Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Creating the Office of Lieutenant-Governor and Providing for Succession of Office of the Governor. (H. P. 286) (L. D. 406) reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

(Signed)

Senator:

LUND of Kennebec