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HOUSE

Thursday, January 16, 1958

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Horace Colpitts of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Orders

On motion of Mr. Brown of Ellsworth, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Beyer of Cape Elizabeth be excused from attendance today because of business.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair will appoint on the part of the House to serve on the Elections Expenditures Committee, to fill the vacancy created by death of Mr. Latno of Old Town, the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley.

The SPEAKER: Also at this time the Chair takes great pleasure in acknowledging the presence in the gallery of the House, The Serviam Civics Club of Notre Dame School of Waterville. The school is directed by the Ursuline Nuns. The Moderator of the club is Mother Mary Grace and Sister Emile is the sixth grade teacher. On the part of the House we are very happy to welcome you all here today and we hope you will enjoy your visit. (Applause)

On motion of Mr. Wade of Auburn, it was

ORDERED, that this House hereby endorses and commends the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, also the State Y. M. C. A. for their programs in State Government including student legislatures;

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that to make more effective the programs of the youth legislatures, the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to permit the use of the House for the inaugural ceremonies of Dirigo Girls' State and the Hi-Y Youth Legislatures.

Mr. Emmons of Kennebunk presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Clerk of the House be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase in the name of the State for the Recreation Room located at the Blaine House 4 pool cues, 1 pool bridge and 1 8-ball; the expense of such purchases shall be charged to legislative expense.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunk, Mr. Emmons.

Mr. EMMONS: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Perhaps there should be some explanation of this order. As you all know, there are many stresses and strains during the session and some of the members of the House have tried to seek surcease and alleviate those stresses and strains by going to the recreation room at the Blaine House and playing pool. Now, in so doing we have run into some difficulties. Some of the members who never miss their cue in the House find that there are no cues to be missed over there.

And on occasion some of us have hoped to get the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner, "behind the eight ball" but there is no eight ball. We have had to use a billiard ball for the eight ball. And I myself, as you at times have known it, have been in great difficulty, in this House and at other spots. I have tried to find a bridge over those difficulties and there is no bridge in the Blaine House recreation room.

And for that purpose this order has been entered before this House and I hope it will receive passage.

Thereupon, the Order received passage.

Mr. Letourneau of Sanford presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Director of Legislative Research is directed to prepare a bill embodying the provisions of House Amendment "B" to S. P. 658, L. D. 1637, Bill, "An Act Relating to Educational Aid and to Clarify the Procedure of the Reorganization of School Administrative Units"

(Filing No. 640) for presentation to the next regular legislative session.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this Order shall receive passage?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker, for the benefit of some of you who were not here yesterday afternoon, we saw at that time a very fine example of courtesy and cooperation by the gentleman from Sanford, Mr. Letourneau. I mentioned then, after that display, that I hoped that this morning the House would support by unanimous consent a bill if it were presented by him relative to this matter.

This joint order which he has just presented embodies the same thing in a more simple manner and I also hope that at this time you will give it your support.

Thereupon, the Joint Order received passage.

Passed To Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act Providing for the Construction of an Addition to the Central Heating Plant at the University of Maine (H. P. 1129) (L. D. 1642)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 123 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Appropriating Moneys for Office of Director of Legislative Research (H. P. 1132) (L. D. 1646)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 125 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Representation in Legislative District for Town of West Paris (H. P. 1136) (L. D. 1650)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 123 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of the gentlewoman from Minot, Mrs. Hatch, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

Emergency Measure

An Act Creating a Five Member Superintending School Committee in the Town of Scarborough (H. P. 1137) L. D. 1651)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 122 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Sources of Supply and Purposes of Yarmouth Water District (H. P. 1141) (L. D. 1638)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 123 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Increasing Payments to Androscoggin County Law Library (H. P. 1145) (L. D. 1670)