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the words 'in accordance with the petition either or both of'.

House Amendment "A" was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Allen of Portland, the House voted to take from the table the second tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relating to Control of Rentals." (H. P. 1173) (L. D. 742) reference to Committee on Judiciary suggested; tabled on February 13th by that gentleman pending reference.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Allen.

Mr. ALLEN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Discussion on the floor is not usual at this stage of a legislative bill, namely pending reference to a committee, but I would like to say just a word or two of explanation on this rent control bill which I filed here in the Legislature this year.

This bill was filed because of the fact that the Federal government was not certain what it wanted to do in Washington, and I felt as I did last July when I introduced a rent control bill in the Special Session, that Maine's No. 3 necessity of life was certainly of vital concern to the people of this State. Therefore I brought into the Legislature in January the same bill which was reported out of committee in a redraft last July, a bill which at that time was an emergency measure when the country was certainly in a state of uncertainty on rent control, and a bill which was passed by a roughly 73 to 15 vote in favor because it had an emergency enactor on it.

This bill is simply a rent control measure, it is not an emergency enactor, but because of the fact that usually reliable sources which I have contacted in Washington have advised me that there is certainly some question as to what the Fed-

eral government is going to do on rent control, there is a very definite possibility that rent control may be turned back to the states, and because of that fact I also found out in Washington that the Federal government is definitely interested in finding the sentiment in the states for rent control, I now move you, Mr. Speaker, that this Bill Relating to Control of Rentals be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Mills of Farmington, the House voted to take from the table the 17th tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act to Enforce Unfair Sales Practices in Cigarettes" (H. P. 1354) (L. D. 955) which in House was read the third time and tabled on March 11th by that gentleman pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. Mills then offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

House Amendment "A" to H. P. 1354, L. D. 955, Bill "An Act to Enforce Unfair Sales Practices in Cigarettes."

Amend the title to said Bill so that it shall read as follows: 'An Act Relating to Unfair Sales Practices in Cigarettes.'

House Amendment "A" was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

If there is no further business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Brown of Milford,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.