

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Orders of the Day

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

HOUSE REPORT — Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment "A" Filing H-3 from the Committee on State Government on Bill, "An Act Relating to Violations of Parking Regulation at the State House." (H. P. 136) (L. D. 191)

Tabled—February 10, 1971 by Senator Johnson of Somerset.

Pending—Acceptance of Report.

Mr. Johnson of Somerset then moved the pending question.

Thereupon, the Ought to Pass Report of the Committee was accepted in concurrence and the Bill Read Once. Committee Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted in concurrence and the Bill, as Amended, Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

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

JOINT ORDER—Relative to Special Joint Select Committee to study Maine Turnpike Authority. (S. P. 205)

Tabled—February 11, 1971 by Senator Berry of Cumberland.

Pending—Passage.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Marcotte.

Mr. MARCOTTE of York: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: In light of my introduction of an order covering the same subject earlier in today's session, I now request leave to withdraw this order.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from York, Senator Marcotte, requests leave to withdraw Senate Paper 205. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed. Thereupon, the Joint Order was withdrawn.

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

Bill, "An Act Relating to Shooting at or Near Wildlife Decoys." (H. P. 99) (L. D. 143)

Tabled—February 12, 1971 by Senator Hoffses of Knox.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Knox, Senator Hoffses.

Mr. HOFFSES of Knox: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I feel that perhaps there should be a little explanation to this bill before we consider it further.

The question has been raised as to federal regulation governing this particular matter. I would point out that the federal law applies only to the shooting of migratory birds with rifle or handgun. It makes no stipulation as to the shooting at anyone's decoys. This particular piece of legislation would spell that out, and would further spell out the meaning of "near a hunter's decoys."

Now, I would further point out that anyone who feels that this might create a situation whereby an individual could practically seal off an area where migratory waterfowl are frequenting by placing decoys strategically around the area, this would not apply to the use of shotguns with legal shot which are allowed in the pursuit of migratory waterfowl. With that brief explanation, I would move the pending question.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this bill be passed to be engrossed in concurrence?

The motion prevailed.

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

Bill, "An Act Repealing the Law Relating to Sterilization." (H. P. 529) (L. D. 691)

Tabled—February 16, 1971 by Senator Violette of Aroostook.

Pending—Reference.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Quinn.

Mr. QUINN of Penobscot: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Because of legal ramifications on this bill, I move that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.