Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on Education on, Bill, "An Act Authorizing Husson College to confer a Degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing." (S. P. 796) (L. D. 1980)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-410).

Signed:
Senators:
PIERCE of Kennebec
CLARK of Cumberland
Representative:
CONNOLLY of Portland
BROWN of Gorham
LOCKE of Sebec
MURPHY of Kennebunk
MATTHEWS of Caribou
BROWN of Livermore Falls
THERIAULT of Fort Kent
GOwen of Standish
ROLDE of York

The Majority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought Not to Pass.

Signed:
Senator:

TROTZKY of Penobscot

Representative:
THOMPSON of Portland

Whichever Reports were Read, The PRESIDENT recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Trotzky.

Senator TROTZKY, Mr. President, this Bill authorizes Husson College to confer a degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing. It, also, states in the Bill, something to the extent that they must be in conformance with the National League of Nursing Standards.

I have here from the legislative staff saying "a representative from the National League of Nursing will conduct a site visit to the Husson EMMC. (Eastern Maine Medical Center), on March 22-23 to evaluate their proposed programs in relation to National League of Nursing standards."

I wonder if someone would Table this for 2 Legislative Days.

On motion by Senator Collins of Knox, Tabled for 2 Legislative Days, pending Acceptance of Either Committee Report.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following: Which Report was Read and Accepted and the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.

Ought to Pass — As Amended

Senator WOOD for the Committee on Agriculture, on, Bill, "An Act to Address the Potential Conflict of Interest of the Board of Pesticides Control. (Emergency)" (S. P. 726) (L. D. 1983)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-410).

Which Report was Read and Accepted, and the Bill Read Once and Tomorrow Assigned for Second Reading.


Reported that the same Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-412).

Which Report was Read and Accepted, in concurrence, and the Bill Read Once, Committee Amendment "A" was Read.

On motion by Senator Conley of Camden, Tabled for Legislative Day, pending Adoption of Committee Amendment "A".

Emergency

AN ACT to Amend the Maine Turnpike Authority Statute, (H. P. 2165) (L. D. 2064)

The PRESIDENT recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Minkowski.

Senator MINKOWSKY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I hold aside this Bill before its Enactment this morning to discuss very briefly some of the concerns I have had since I sponsored the original bill back in 1977.

At that particular segment of time, the Cities of Lewiston and Auburn were both concerned, as the Governor Longley was concerned, that the Maine Turnpike should be toll free upon the final payment of the bonds in June of 1982.

I disagreed with the Governor at the particular segment of time. We thought we had a more innovative approach to addressing the needs of the State of Maine and the citizens along the Turnpike's 106 miles corridor.

At that time the bill was originally submitted called for the Maine Turnpike Authority to be dissolved. It implemented a toll barrier system, and it addressed the concerns of southern Maine that they could utilize the Turnpike at reduced fees.

This Bill, over the Governor's objection, Governor Longley's objection, did become law. In the session of this particular time, we thought we got under way by the Maine State Employee's Association, not because they were concerned with the welfare of the Cities of Lewiston or Auburn, but because of a concerned with the welfare of all the towns and cities along its 106 mile corridor, but their major concern was simply because many people felt here's one more toll barrier that is going to materialize. We will, as the Bill is Amended, be Engrossed, in concurrence.

Senator RANDALL of East Machias, Senator HICHENS of York, Senator CONNOLLY of Edgecomb abstained.

I have a note here from the legislative staff that the fees will be increased to a move that is going to be short-term. The fees will be increased to a move that is going to be short-term effects of this legislation, but the long-term effects of the legislation, which I feel will be deleterious to the development of industrial parks, commercial developments in both the Cities of Lewiston and Auburn.

It appears, at the present time, that we are getting a deal. My only evaluation or assumption on this entire thing is that we are being ripoffed. The end result of this; two things are going to materialize. We will, as the Bill is amended, be Engrossed, in concurrence.

Number two, the fees will be increased somewhere in the area of 50%.

Number three, why the Bill went down the tube in the last session of the Legislature was simply because many people felt here's one way of getting excess revenues from the Maine Turnpike to be utilized to fill potholes and snow removal in other parts of the State of Maine to the tune of $4,760,000. They bought this on a very impulsive and emotional point-of-view, not taking into consideration exactly what the effects would be upon my community and the communities along that corridor.
Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the first Tabled and specially assigned matter: Bill, "An Act to Adjust the Eating, Lodging and Recreational Place Licensing Fee." (S. P. 81) (L. D. 1972) (Emergency) (H. P. 1996) (L. D. 1972)-MAJORITY REPORT Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-641)-MINORITY REPORT Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-642)

Tabled—March 12, 1982 by Senator COLLINS of Knox Pending—Motion of Senator McBrearty of Aroostook to Reconsider Passage to be Engrossed on motion by Senator McBrearty of Aroostook. Referred for 2 Legislative Days.

The President laid before the Senate the second Tabled and specially assigned matter: H. R. 470, "An Act relating to the Licensing of State Liquor Stores in Communities with One Store." (Emergency) (H. P. 1996) (L. D. 1972)—MAJORITY REPORT Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-641)—MINORITY REPORT Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "B" (H-642)


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Senator MINKOWSKY: Mr. President, would the good Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee, Senator Shute, give us at least a brief explanation as to what the rationale is on behalf of the Committee as to why they want to Accept Report "A"?

The President: The Senator from Waldo, Senator Shute, now moves that the Senate Accept the Majority Ought to Pass, as amended, Report of the Committee.

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Senator MINKOWSKY: Mr. President, the good Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee, Senator Shute, give us at least a brief explanation as to what the rationale is on behalf of the Committee as to why they want to Accept Report "A"?

The President: The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Minkowsky, has posed a question.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Waldo, Senator Shute.

Senator SHUTE: Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, at the present time, if a State Liquor store is closed in a community, and that community is within ten miles of another State store or agency store, the Commission cannot reopen the State store or another agency store.

What Committee Amendment "A" does is to allow the Commission to reopen another State store, if they are within the ten mile radius that was set out in the previous law. So they have one year to reopen another State store in that same community, but they don't have the option of opening an agency store in that community.

The President: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Minkowsky.

Senator MINKOWSKY: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, there seems to be a great deal of concern about this particular Bill, so I text it has been introduced in the Senate. I'm not going to reiterate the arguments that have been made for or against this in today's Senate. I have to make sure that the Senate is aware of the arguments that have been made for or against this in today's Senate.

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