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easement the highway has taken. They come along and a well driller says well, I will back my truck over here in your door yard, this is close enough, it is convenient for my truck, and we will put you in an artisian well or whatever you have. Consequently, I feel that that home owner will, in about another five or ten years, be up here trying to sue the State for well damage. I think this is a unique problem and I think that perhaps, in the wisdom of the Legislature in the coming years, we could perhaps come up with some suggestion so that this might be permanently alleviated. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Katz.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Katz of Kennebec, placed on the Special Legislative Research Table.

Committee Reports Senate

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Sewall for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on

Bill, An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations and Deductions for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1970 and June 30, 1971. (S. P. 592) (L. D. 1749)

Reported that the same Ought to Pass in New Draft under Same Title. (S. P. 658) (L. D. 1842)

Which report was Read and Accepted and the Bill, in New Draft, Read Once.

The PRESIDENT: Is it now the pleasure of the Senate that, under suspension of the rules, this bill be given its second reading at this time by title only?

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Sewall.

Mr. SEWALL of Penobscot: Mr. President, is it in order to explain the bill at this point?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has the floor.

Mr. SEWALL: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I think that you should all be aware that included in this appropriations bill — by the way this is the last of the appropriations documents — that in the last section, Section D, the

matter that the Governor vetoed several days ago pertaining to the University of Maine trustees appears. This, in effect, unties the hands of the trustees of the University of Maine to set the tuition levels at the various campuses of the University. If you look in section B of this measure, you will see an item in the second year of the biennium for \$500,000, which will provide funds for the admission of additional students into the university system. So, I thought that you should be aware that the Appropriations Committee has attempted, through this document, to clear up this area of disagreement between the Legislature and the Executive.

I would hope that for the purposes of offering an amendment, which I understand is in preparation, that someone would table this document until later in today's session.

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

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Barnes of Aroostook, tabled until later in today's session, pending assignment for Second Reading.

Orders of the Day

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

House Reports — From the Committee on Taxation on Bill, "An Act Increasing State Tax in Unorganized Territory, relieving Elderly Persons from Property Tax and to Study the Assessment of Taxes in Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 1406) (L. D. 1762) Majority Report, Ought to Pass in New Draft, under New Title Bill, "An Act Increasing State Tax in Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 1448) (L. D. 1824); Minority Report, Ought Not to Pass.

Tabled—February 3, 1970 by Senator Katz of Kennebec.

Pending—Acceptance of Either Report.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Martin of Piscataquis, retabled until later in today's session, pending Acceptance of Either Report.