

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

1st Special Session

OF THE

*One Hundred and Sixth
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1974

Kennebec Journal
Augusta, Maine

SENATE

Wednesday, January 23, 1974

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Shane D. Estes of Winthrop.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday.

**Papers From the House
Non-concurrent Matter**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Use of Name of the State by Nonprofit Corporations." (S. P. 803) (L. D. 2297)

In the Senate January 16, 1974, Passed to be Engrossed.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-645), in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Joly of Kennebec, the Senate voted to Recede and Concur.

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission into the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game." (H. P. 1868) (L. D. 2367)

In the House January 16, 1974, referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and Ordered Printed.

In the Senate January 18, 1974, referred to the Committee on State Government and Ordered Printed, in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, that body having Insisted.

Mr. Anderson then moved that the Senate Recede and Concur.

On motion by Mr. Speers of Kennebec, tabled until later in today's session, pending the motion by Mr. Anderson of Hancock to Recede and Concur.

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill, "An Act Relating to Liability of Natural Gas Distributors." (S. P. 710) (L. D. 2122)

In the Senate January 18, 1974, Passed to be Engrossed.

Comes from the House, Passed to be Engrossed as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-646), in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Clifford of Androscoggin, the Senate then voted to recede from its previous action whereby the Bill

was Passed to be Engrossed. The same Senator then presented Senate Amendment "A" and moved its Adoption.

Senate Amendment "A", Filing No. S-325, was Read and Adopted. House Amendment "A" was Read and Adopted in concurrence and the Bill, as Amended, Passed to be Engrossed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Joint Order

WHEREAS, the 106th Legislature in its continuing concern for the life of the unborn child; and

WHEREAS, the Helms Amendment prohibiting the use of foreign aid funds for abortion was signed into law on December 17, 1973 by the President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, January 22, 1974 marks the first anniversary of the Supreme Court Decision on abortion; and

WHEREAS, the Pro-life Education Association of Maine is continuing its efforts to promote a Human Life Amendment to the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, today marks the first Interfaith Vigil in Portland, Maine to stress the importance of the individual right to life; and

WHEREAS, this vigil will also serve notice on the Euthanasia Movement that any attempt by this group to implement its philosophy will be vigorously resisted; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that We, the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the 106th Legislature of the State of Maine, take this opportunity while assembled in special session to commend the leaders of the Pro-life Education Association for their efforts to promote the sanctity of human life; and be it further

ORDERED, that suitable copies of this Order be prepared and presented to Mr. Anthony Soychak of Gorham, Maine, President of the Pro-life Education Association, in appreciation of such efforts. (H. P. 1897)

Comes from the House, Read and Passed.

Which was Read.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry.

Mr. BERRY: Mr. President, I had felt that this was an issue that I would like to have read to the Senate in its entirety, but I am sure this brief debate will attract the attention of the Senate to this resolution. I also had toyed with the idea of going through the usual motions and having the reading omitted and having the Senate adopt it, and then move reconsideration, to underscore my concern with what we do here frequently.

While I am talking, I would ask you to look at the resolution and ask yourself if you can answer the questions that I am sure will rise in your mind on it. I would ask you, are you familiar with the Supreme Court decision of January 22, 1973? Are you familiar with the Helms Amendment? Are you familiar with the background of the organization mentioned in here? And are you willing to put the legislature of the State of Maine on record as endorsing all these principles?

Mr. President, I move this item lay on the table one legislative day.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Berry, moves that Item 1-4, House Paper 1897, be tabled one legislative day, pending passage. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

The motion prevailed.

State of Maine

Department of Transportation
State Office Building

Augusta, Maine 04330

January 23, 1974

To: Governor Kenneth M. Curtis
and Members of
the 106th Legislature
Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 97 Private and Special Laws 1973, I am pleased to submit a report concerning the availability of funds to be used for the purpose of making permanent repairs to Seawalls in the Towns of York and Kennebunk.

Respectfully,
ROGER L. MALLAR
Commissioner
(S. P. 869)

Which was Read and with accompanying papers Ordered Placed on File.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate Papers

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. MacLeod of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act to Expand the Line Budget in the Department of Mental Health and Corrections." (S. P. 846)

The same Senator presented, Bill, "An Act to Adjust Certain Salary Provisions of the State Officers and Officials." (S. P. 847)

Which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Education

Mr. Katz of Kennebec (by request) presented, Bill, "An Act Transferring Responsibility for Post-Secondary Vocational Education from the Board of Education to the University of Maine and Modifying Membership of the Board of Trustees." (S. P. 848)

The same Senator (by request) presented, Bill, "An Act Abolishing the 4-year Degree Granting Program at the Machias, Fort Kent and Presque Isle Campuses of the University of Maine." (S. P. 849)

(See action later in today's session.)

The same Senator (by request) presented, Bill, "An Act Discontinuing Operation of Schooling for Children in the Unorganized Territory Schools." (S. P. 850)

Which were referred to the Committee on Education and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Human Resources

Mr. MacLeod of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act Repealing the Law Relating to Youth Community Activities." (S. P. 851)

Which was referred to the Committee on Human Resources and ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Cox of Penobscot presented, Bill, "An Act to Eliminate Collection of Delinquent Accounts by the Treasurer of State." (S. P. 852)

Mr. Joly of Kennebec presented, Bill, "An Act Relating to Municipal Reports and Audits." (S. P. 854)

Which were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Ordered Printed.

Sent down for concurrence.