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An Act Regulating the Taking of Mahogany Quahogs (H. P. 1841) (L. D. 1836)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Kennebec County for the Year 1982 (H. P. 2000) (L. D. 1958)

Tabled—February 16, 1982 by Representative Paradis of Augusta.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Paradis.

Mr. PARADIS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Last Friday, I presented House Amendment "A" to L.D. 1958 in order to correct a very real concern I had with the decision of the Kennebec County Commissioners when they voted last summer 2 to 1 to use contingency fund money to wage a public relations campaign to sell the voters of Kennebec County a bond issue for a county jail. Yesterday, the County Commissioners voted unanimously not to ask this legislature to pass a bond issue and to ask for a "leave to withdraw" from the Local and County Government Committee.

I think they received a clear and definite message from this body, and that was that we did not want them to tamper with the county budget that we had passed. It was never, and it's not now, our itent to fund public relation campaigns with taxpayers' money.

In that spirit, I withdraw my amendment to the county budget, L.D. 1958.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The following paper appearing on Supplement No. 1 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

The Following Joint Order: (S. P. 856)

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State transmitted to the Legislature on February 2, 1982, an initiated bill, "AN ACT to Repeal the Control of Milk Prices at the Wholesale and Retail Levels," and the results of the examination by his office of the respective initiative petitions; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 1982, certification of that bill designated by the Legislature as Initiated Bill Number 3, Legisative Document Number 1935 was rescinded by communication from the Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, a ruling was made by the Superior Court on February 12, 1982, that the Secretary of State could lawfully rescind that certification; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that this bill designated as I.B. 3, L.D. 1935, plus all accompanying papers and certification be returned forthwith to the Secretary of State.

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Vassalboro, Mrs. Mitchell.

Mrs. MITCHELL: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House: On February 12, the Superior Court ruled that the Secretary of State, of Maine, could rescind his certification. Therefore, we plan to concur woth the Senate today to return the bill concerning milk pricing to the Secretary of State's Office until such time as he can recertify that petition and send the bill back to us. This is pursuant to the ruling of Superior Court.

Thereupon, the Order received passage in concurrence.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 2 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Bill "An Act to Establish the Cost of the 1982 Spruce Budworm Spray Project" (Emergency) (H. P. 2049) (Presented by Representative Pearson of Old Town) (Cosponsor: Representative Davis of Monmouth) (Governor's Bill)

Was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Concerning Maine Emergency Medical Services" (H. P. 2050) (Presented by Representative Diamond of Windham) (Cosponsors: Representatives Higgins of Scarborough, Kiesman of Fryeburg and Brown of Bethel) (Governor's Bill)

Was referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 3 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Bill "An Act to Amend the Concealed Weapons Laws" (H. P. 2051) (Presented by Representative Nelson of Portland) (Cosponsors: Representatives Jackson of Yarmouth, Murphy of Kennebunk and Gwadosky of Fairfield) (Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26)

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Prevent Utilities from Excessive Recovery of Costs of Electric Plants in which they have Cancelled or Abandoned Participation" (H. P. 2052) (Presented by Representative Martin of Eagle Lake) (Cosponsors: Representatives McHenry of Madawaska, Chonko of Topsham and Mitchell of Freeport) (Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26)

Was referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The following paper appearing on Supplement No. 4 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Bill "An Act to Allow for Industrial Development Improvements Utilizing Tax Increment Financing" (H. P. 2053) (Presented by Representative Hayden of Durham) (Cosponsors: Representatives Masterman of Milo, Day of Westbrook and Senator Brown of Washington) (Governor's Bill)

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dexter of Kingfield,

Adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.