

The roll being called 22 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present.

Messrs. Bailey, Butler, Faulkner, Harris, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Miller, Stockton and Wilson of the 4th being absent,

Mr. Kirk moved to adjourn until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. Thursday, May 28, 1903.

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1903.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, 30 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present.

Mr. Stockton and Mr. Miller being absent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal as corrected was approved.

A message was received from the House of Representative.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

By Mr. Gillen:

Senate Bill No. 399:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 4842, Laws of Florida, the same being "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Jacksonville and Tampa Bay Improved Railway Company and grant lands to aid in its construction," approved May 18, 1895, and which said Chapter 4842 was approved June 2, 1899.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gillen moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 399 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 399 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gillen moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 399 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 399 was read a third time in full. Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Dimick, Gillen, Kirk, Law, McCreary, Neel, Palmer, Scott, Whidden.—10.

Nays—Messrs. Blicht, Blount, Brown, Carson, Crews, Raney, Williams.—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

By Mr. Blicht:

Senate Bill No. 400:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Governor to appoint an inspector of county jails and county convicts, to prescribe the powers and duties of said inspector; to fix his compensation and to establish rules and regulations in regard to the care and maintenance of county convicts by contractors.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Prisons and Convicts.

By Mr. Palmer:

Senate Bill No. 401:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 596 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to the notice for bids and disposition of bonds.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rouse:

Senate Bill No. 402:

A bill to be entitled an act to grant lands to the Apalachicola Northern Railroad Company to aid the said railroad company in the construction and equipment of its railroad.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Rouse moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 402 be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 402 was read a second time in full.

Mr. McCreary moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 402 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 402 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bailey, Brown, Dimick, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer, Rouse, Sams, Scott, Whidden, Wilson of the 4th.—17.

Nays—Messrs. Blich, Butler, Crews, Crill, Faulkner, Wilson of the 7th.—6.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Rouse moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 402 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 402 was so certified.

By Mr. Gillen:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 403;

A joint resolution proposing an amendment of Section ten (10) of Article nine (9) of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Bill No. 240:

A bill to be entitled an act to aid in the construction of telegraph and telephone lines, and prescribing the mode of procedure for the exercise of the powers of eminent domain by them against railroad companies for the right to construct, maintain and operate their lines upon their right of way.

Was taken up, the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., the time set for its consideration having arrived, and read a second time in full, together with the amendments of the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Harris moved that the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 240 be deferred, and that the rules be waived and messages from the House of Representatives be taken up.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 305:

A bill to be entitled an act to aid in the construction of telegraph and telephone lines, and prescribing the mode of procedure for the exercise of the powers of eminent domain by them against railroad companies for the right to construct, maintain and operate their lines upon their right of way.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 305, contained in the above message, be placed on second reading without reference to committee.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 305 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 305 was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 305 be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 305 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Blount offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 305:

Amend by adding to the second section the following:
"The jury shall be required to assess as a portion of the damages awarded to the railroad company the loss which would be sustained by the railroad company, by depriving it of the benefit of any contract which it might

be at said time enjoying with any other telegraph or telephone company.

Mr. Blount moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 305 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 305 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Blich, Brown, Butler, Carson, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Faulkner, Gillen, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, Palmer, Peacock, Raney, Scott, Wadsworth, Williams.—23.

Nays—Messrs. Blount, Sams, Whidden.—3.

So the bill passed title as stated.

Mr. Wilson of the 7th announced that he was paired with Mr. Stockton; that if Mr. Stockton was present he would vote yea, and that he (Mr. Wilson of the 7th) would vote no.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 305 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 305 was so certified.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams.

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 432:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the limitations of liens of judgments hereafter obtained in actions at law

and to prescribe the limitations of liens of judgments at law now existing.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 432, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 400:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit carrying or giving away any vinous, malt, spirituous or alcoholic liquors on election days, and prescribing a penalty therefor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 400, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 460:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the cutting of the ears of any hog, sheep, beef or other domestic animal before the same has been dressed, and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 460, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following messages from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 422:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing the time of holding elections for special tax school districts.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 422, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 385:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the Volusia County Bank, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 385, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Sams moved that House Bill No. 385 be placed on calendar of bills on second reading without reference to a committee.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 473:

A bill to be entitled an act to require commission merchants, produce merchants and other persons, selling produce on commission in this State, to make out and mail to the shipper or consignor of produce, certain reports within a certain time from the delivery and sale of such produce, and fixing a penalty for failure therein.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 473, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 470:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 4938, of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to amend Section 22 of Chapter 4338, of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to provide for working and repairing and maintaining the public roads and bridges of the several counties of this State, and to provide penalties for failure thereof, approved May 29th, A. D., 1895.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 470, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 547:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties of a supervising inspector of naval stores, and to prescribe forfeitures and penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of the provisions of this act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 547, contained in the above report, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Kirk moved that House Bill No. 547 be placed on calendar of bills on second reading without reference to a committee.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the committee of conference upon Senate amendments to—

House Bill No. 143:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the compensation of the treasurers of the county school funds in the several counties of Florida.

Thereby the House concurs in said Senate amendments thereto.

Very Respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has declined to pass—

House Bill No. 469:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Philip Isaacs.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 469, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 391:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide liens for material men, mechanics, artisans and laborers, and to provide the manner in which such liens shall be acquired, and to provide a remedy for the enforcement of such liens.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 391, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 287:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of parties who have bought land from the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and whose title has failed.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 287, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed.

Senate Bill No. 295:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize pilots to incorporate themselves and their property, and to prescribe the rights, powers, and liabilities of such pilots and corporations.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 395, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 296:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of wild deer, wild turkeys, partridges, and squirrels in the county of Santa Rosa, State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 296, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 393:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the municipality of Manatee, in the county of Manatee, State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 393, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 96:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 9 of chapter 4706 Laws of Florida, entitled "an act to require railroad companies in the State of Florida to fence their tracks, to provide the time and manner in which fence shall be constructed, and to provide a penalty for failure so to do, and to provide the measure of damages for cattle killed or injured by trains or engines on railroads not fenced, and providing for the payment of attorney's fees and double damages for the killing or injury to domestic live stock under certain conditions by the companies refusing or neglecting to fence their roads as required;" as amended by chapter 5020, Laws of Florida, approved May 27th, 1901.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 96, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 384:

A bill to be entitled an act to validate and make legal certain county warrants or script, issued by Taylor county Florida, and to cure all defects and irregularities of the

same, and to declare said county warrants or county script legal and binding obligations of said county.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 384, contained in the above message was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has receded from House amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 177:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 10, chapter 4888, Laws of Florida, entitled "an act to provide for the issue, custody, redemption sale and transfer of tax sale certificates, and the issue of tax deeds, and prescribing the duties of certain officers in connection therewith." approved May 30th, 1901.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 177, contained in the above message was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has declined to recede from House amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 104:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the publication of the acts of the Legislature of a general and permanent nature in newspapers prescribing the duties of the Secretary of State and the boards of county commissioners, and providing compensation for publishers.

And request the appointment of a committee of conference, and have appointed Messrs. Watson of Osceola, Abrams of Lake and Johnston of Pasco such committee on part of the House.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Mr. Kirk moved that the Senate agree to the request of the House of Representatives for a committee of conference on House amendments to Senate Bill No. 104.

The President appointed Messrs. Kirk, McCreary and Blount as a committee of conference on the part of the Senate on House amendments to Senate Bill No. 104.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 529:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the preparation and publication of a digest of the civil decisions of the Supreme Court of Florida, making an appropriation for the same, and authorizing its sale and distribution.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 529, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 459:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing and directing the payment to certain persons named herein to be paid for services rendered and for provisions and medicines furnished small box patients in Marion county, Florida, during the years 1899 and 1900, and making an appropriation therefor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 459, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 181:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 16 of chapter 4466 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to incorporate the Citizens' Bank and Trust Company and to confer certain rights and privileges thereon.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 181, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporation.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 548:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 5, of chapter 4122 Laws of Florida, approved June 2, 1893, being an act prescribing the qualifications of jurors; the manner of selecting and drawing the same and fixing the number which shall constitute a grand jury.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 548, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed.

House Bill No. 239:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal chapter 4075 of the Laws of the State of Florida, being an act entitled an act for the relief of persons imprisoned for the non-payment of fines and costs of court, imposed by sentence of any court in this State.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 239, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 337:

A bill to be entitled an act making an annual appropriation for the University of Florida, at Lake City, to make up deficit caused by shrinkage of interest on certain bonds.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 337, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Carson moved that House Bill No. 337, contained in the above message, be placed on the table subject to call without reference to committee.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 544 :

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent the turning and leaving turned, killing or mutilating any loggerhead turtle; or taking of any their eggs from the 15 of June until the 31st of July of each and every year on the seashore of the State of Florida, and to punish by fine or imprisonment, or by both fine and imprisonment, for any violation of this act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully.

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 544, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read :

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 555 :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 5104 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to enlarge the powers, authority and privileges of the municipality of the city of Gainesville, approved May 31, 1901.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 555, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organizations.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 175:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Lee Daniell.

Very respectfully,
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 159:

A bill to be entitled an act to promote good roads, declaring how they shall be constructed, making them systems of internal improvements and drainage.

And respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Very respectfully,
 WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
 Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 159, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to punish persons procuring by knowingly false representations the consignment of produce for sale.

Also,

An act to amend Sections 953 and 956 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to harbor masters.

Also,

An act to fix the pay of members, officers and attaches of the Legislature of A. D., 1903.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to amend Sections two thousand two hundred and five (2205), two thousand two hundred and six (2206), and two thousand two hundred and seven (2207), of Sub-Chapter two (2) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, entitled "Special Provisions for Building and Loan Associations."

Also,

An act declaring Throve Tuesday, commonly known as Mardi Gras, a legal holiday in certain towns and cities in this State.

Also,

An act requiring fire insurance companies or associations lawfully doing business in the State of Florida to transact their business in said State through their agents who are residents of the State, forbidding such companies or associations from reinsuring under certain conditions and from employing as their agents in this State any persons who divide their commissions with a non-resident of this State and fixing penalties for violations of this act.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act relative to the books and forms to be kept by county treasurers and certain other county officers, and the balancing of same.

Also,

An act to amend Section 682, Revised Statutes of the

State of Florida, entitled real estate specially benefited assessed one-third expense.

Also,

An act to amend Section 2 of an act entitled an act to amend Sections thirty-three (33) (thirty-seven (37), forty-two (42), and sixty-seven (67) of an act entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Lake City, in the county of Columbia, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Lake City, and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, approved May 22, 1901, said amendatory act having been approved on the 16th day of April, A. D. 1903.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 359:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the manner and mode of taking food fish from the salt waters of Florida and the time in which they may be taken, and regulating the seines, nets, their length and size of meshes, authorizing the County Commissioners to lessen or increase the size of said meshes, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,
FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 359, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the taking of food fish in the salt and fresh waters of Brevard county.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 8, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 286:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the purchase, sale and transportation of mullet fish caught from the waters of the State of Florida during the closed season of each year.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 286, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 382:

A bill to be entitled a local option bill to be entitled an act to regulate the catching or taking of fish in the waters of Manatee county, of the State of Florida, and to prohibit the taking or catching of fish, except for personal consumption during the period from the 23rd day of November to the 31st of December of each and every year; and to regulate the manner and means to be employed in taking fish from said waters and the length, depth and kind of nets that may be employed in the taking of fish from said waters and to prescribe a limit to the size of mesh of nets allowed to be used for the purpose of catching and taking fish from the waters of said county, and to prohibit the transportation for the purpose of sale of food fish from the limits of said county from the 23 day of November to the 31st day of December of each and every year, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 382, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. McCaskill, Chairman of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Public Roads and Highways, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 403:

A bill to be entitled an act to require all persons subject to road duty residing within the limits of an incorporated city or town, in this State, to work on the streets of such city or town.

Also,

House Bill No. 421:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 1, 3 and 4 of Chapter 4948, Laws of Florida, entitled an act in relation to the use of bicycles on side paths, for licensing bicycles, for appointing side path commissioners, and for the construction, maintenance, regulation and preservation of side paths, by defining the powers and duties of said commissioners, approved May 27th, 1901.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that said bills do pass.

Very respectfully,

E. V. McCASKILL.

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bills Nos. 403 and 421, contained in the above report, were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Corporation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 367:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2, Chapter fifty thirty-two, Laws of Florida approved May 31st, 1901, entitled "An act to amend Sections 1 and 9 of Chapter forty-two fifty-five of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to increase the facilities and improve the transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway Company, approved June 3, 1893.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that Senate Bill No. 367 do pass.

Very respectfully,

P. W. BUTLER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 367, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Blount, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 80:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the payment of warrants issued by the Comptroller of the State of Florida, under chapter 1175, laws of this State, for services rendered the State by voluntary companies with the approval of the Governor in suppressing Indian hostilities in the year 1856, and which warrants have been approved by the Commissioner appointed under the supplemental act of 1889, chapter 3930, Laws of Florida, to examine, approve or reject the same, and filed with the Comptroller of the State, and now in the custody of the State Treasurer.

Beg to report that they have considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. BLOUNT,
Acting Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 80, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Raney, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 443:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit monopolies of trade and conspiracies, combinations and agreements in restraint of trade, to prohibit agreement, combinations and conspiracies to prevent competition in trade, to prescribe punishment therefor, to provide redress for persons aggrieved thereby, and for other purposes.

Beg leave to return the same herewith to the Senate without recommendation, except they recommend that 200 copies thereof be printed.

Very respectfully,

GEO. P. RANEY,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 443, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Raney, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 392:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide liens for material men, mechanics, artisans and laborers, and to provide the manner in which such liens shall be acquired and to provide a remedy for the enforcement of such liens.

beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same and recommend that the bill do pass with the following amendment:

In line 1, section 13, strike out the word "section" at the end of the line, and insert the word "act."

Very respectfully,

GEO. P. RANNEY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 392, contained in the above report, together with the amendments thereto, were placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate.

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to punish persons procuring by knowingly false representations the consignments of produce for sale.

Also,

An act to amend sections 953 and 956 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to harbor masters.

Also,

An act to fix the pay of members officers and attaches of the Legislature of A. D., 1903.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to amend sections two thousand two hundred and five (205), two thousand two hundred and six (206), and two thousand two hundred and seven (207), of sub-chapter two (2) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, entitled "Special Provisions for Building and Loan Associations."

Also,

An act declaring Shrove Tuesday, commonly known as Mardi Gras, a legal holiday in certain towns and cities in this State.

Also,

An act requiring the insurance companies or associations lawfully doing business in the State of Florida to transact their business in said State through their agents who are residents of the State; forbidding such companies or associations from reinsuring under certain conditions and for employing as their agents in this State any person who divide their compensations with a non-resident of this State and fixing penalties for violations of this act.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report, were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives, for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May, 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred—

An act relative to the books and forms to be kept by county treasurers and certain other county officers, and the balancing of same.

Also,

An act to amend section 682 Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, entitled real estate specially benefited assessed one-third expense.

Also,

An act to amend section two of an act entitled an act to amend section thirty-three (33), thirty-seven (37), forty-two (42), and sixty-seven (67), of an act entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Lake City, in the county of Columbia, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Lake City, and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, approved May 22, 1901, said amendatory act having been approved on the 16th day of April A. D., 1903.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to pay defendants witnesses in criminal cases.

Also,

An act to provide for the compensation of the treasurers of the county school funds.

Also,

An act to amend Section 2606, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the intermarriage of white and colored persons.

Also,

An act to fix the salaries of certain administrative officers.

Also,

An act to legalize the census taken by order of the Town Council, in March 1902, of Crescent City, Putnam County, State of Florida.

Also,

An act to provide for taking the census of incorporated cities and towns in the State of Florida.

Also,

An act for the relief of the City of Pensacola.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. WILSON.

Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Wilson of the 4th, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act regulating the impounding of cattle by municipal corporations.

Also,

An act to repeal Section four (4) of Chapter four thousand nine hundred and thirty (4930) of the Laws of Florida, Acts of A. D. 1901, the same being an act to provide a penalty for selling liquors, in counties or precincts voting against such sale and to provide a penalty for selling liquor without first paying the license required by law in counties voting for the sale of liquors, and to prescribe forms of indictment and information in such cases.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
C. L. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained in the above report were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Blitch, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 375:

A bill to be entitled an act imposing license and other taexs, providing for the payment thereof and prescribing penalties for doing business without a license or other failure to comply with the provisions thereof.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
N. A. BLITCH,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 375, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Blitch, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 383:

A bill to be entitled an act for the assessment and collection of revenue.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

N. A. BLITCH,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 383, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

Mr. Neel, Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 395:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the sureties on the bond given by R. D. Kirk, as tax collector of Hernando county.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEEL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 395, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 390:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of James F. P. Johnson.

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same without action, and recommend that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Very respectfully,

B. F. KIRK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 290, contained in the above report, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 250:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Nathaniel W. Marion.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with the following amendments:

In lines one and two, of Section 1, strike out the words "five hundred and thirty dollars and eighty cents," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twenty dollars."

In lines two and three in Section 2 strike out the figures (\$532.30) and the words "five hundred and thirty

two dollars and eight cents," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twenty dollars."

Very respectfully,

B. F. KIRK,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 250, contained in the above report, together with the amendment thereto, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 362:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of W. T. Hughey, of Levy county, Florida.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

B. F. KIRK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 362, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 377:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of H. S. Mattox, C. L. Mattox and B. G. McDonald.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass with the following amendment:

In Section 1 strike out the words "one hundred and fifty dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five dollars."

Very respectfully,

B. F. KIRK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No.377, contained in the above report, together with the committee amendment thereto, was placed on the calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Blitch, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 28, 1903.

Hon. Frank Adams,

President of the Senate.

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate substitute for House Bill No. 92:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the division of counties into road districts, and for the election biennially of three road trustees, and to prescribe their duties and powers, and for levying, collecting and disbursing district road taxes.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

N. A. BLITCH,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate substitute for House Bill No. 92, contained in the above report, was placed on the calendar of bills on third reading.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Bill No. 289:

A bill to be entitled an act creating a Board of Commissioners of State Roads, providing for the construction and building of a system of paved, macadamized or other

hard surface State roads in this State; empowering said board to employ necessary assistance; creating "a State Roads Fund," authorizing said board to accept contributions in aid of construction and building roads; providing for the employment of the State convicts on the public roads under rules and regulations and conditions as the Legislature may hereafter prescribe.

Was taken up, the hour of 12 o'clock m., the time set for its consideration, having arrived, and read a second time in full, together with the following amendment offered by the Committee on State Affairs:

1st. Strike out Section 9.

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following committee amendment was read:

2nd. Make Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 read 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, respectively.

Mr. Neel moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Neel offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 289:

Strike out all of section 7.

Mr. Neel moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mac Williams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 289:

Insert the word "said" in line 14, section 6, after the word "against."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 289:

Add at the end of section 13: "Provided, however, that any county in the State may use and employ within the county all of the convicts, convicted in such county, upon and in building of paved roads for such county, and for no other purposes."

Mr. Palmer moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Neel offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 289:

Strike out all of section 13.

Mr. Neel moved the adoption of the amendment.

The yeas and nays are demanded.

Upon call of the roll on the amendment offered by Mr. Neel the vote was.

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Blitch, Carson, Crews, Faulkner, Neel, Palmer, Whidden, Wilson of the 7th.—9.

Nays—Messrs. Blount, Brown, Butler Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, McCreary MacWilliams, Raney Rouse, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Williams, Wilson of the 4th.—13.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Senate Bil No. 289:

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to

Strike out all the words commencing with the word "Provided," in line 14 of printed bill in section 6, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Provided further, that as to such part as may remain after satisfying any grant or grants heretofore made by law, of the 2,000,000 acres recently patented to the State of Florida by the United States, lying in the "Everglades or Okechobee District," nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prohibit the appropriation thereof by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to the work of reclamation and drainage of the district wherein said lands are situated."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kirk offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 289:

Strike out the following form the bill: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida."

Mr. Kirk moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The yeas and nays were demanded.

Upon call of the roll on the amendment of Mr. Kirk, the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bailey, Blitch, Blount, Brown, Carson, Crill, Faulkner, Harris, Kirk, Neel, Palmer, Raney, Sams, Scott, Wadsworth, Whidden, Williams, Wilson of the 7th, Wilson of the 4th.—19.

Nays—Mr President, Messrs. Butler, Crews, Dimick, Law, McCreary, MacWilliams, Peacock, Rouse.—9.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Harris moved that the Senate adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., Friday May 29, 1903.

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1903.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called. 26 Senators answered to their names, showing a quorum present.

Messrs. Bailey, Butler, Dimick, Rouse and Scott being absent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Senator Miller was excused from attendance.

The reading of the Journal dispensed with.

The Journal as corrected was approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Peacock:

Senate Bill No. 404:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the building of county hard roads and providing appropriations therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Peacock moved that Senate Bill No. 404 be placed on calendar of bills on second reading without reference to committee, and be made a special order for Monday, June 1, at 11 o'clock a. m., and 100 copies printed.

Which was agreed to.

By Mr. Harris:

Senate Bill No. 405:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a State Medical Examining and Licensing Board and to control the practice of medicine and surgery.