

MONDAY, MAY 24, 1909.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
The President in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Baker (20th Dist.), Beard, Broome, Buckman, Crill, Cone, Cottrell, Davis, Dayton, Flournoy, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Humphries, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McMullen, Miller, Sams, Sloan, West, Williams, Withers, Zim.
—28.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 22 was corrected.

The Journal of May 22 was approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 178:

A bill to be entitled an act to encourage, protect, regulate and develop the oyster industry of the State of Florida, and to increase the revenues of the State therefrom, by recognizing and declaring the ownership of the State in and to the bottoms or beds of the bodies or streams of water along the Coast of the Gulf of Mexico and along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean, and the waters of the

Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean within the jurisdiction of the State of Florida not heretofore granted or conveyed, for the purpose of giving exclusive rights to plant oysters; by prohibiting other alienation of same in fee; by recognizing and declaring the ownership of the State in and to all reefs of oysters growing naturally thereon; for the protection of those heretofore engaged in the growing of oysters; by creating the office of Oyster Commissioner of the State of Florida, and defining his powers and duties; by providing for the leasing of oyster lands belonging to the State; by providing for the licensing, registration and designation of vessels employed in the oyster industry; by levying a special assessment or privilege tax on oysters produced in said waters, and a police license on persons, firms, corporations and vessels engaged in the oyster industry; by providing for the manner of collecting, handling, depositing and disbursing the revenues derived from said industry, and the distribution of the surplus revenues; by providing for the protection of the natural oyster reefs of this State and for the creating of artificial reefs or beds; by providing such other regulations and provisions as are necessary to properly carry out the objects and purposes of this act; by providing penalties for the repeal of all laws on the same subject matter and in conflict with the provisions of this act.

Beg to report, that having carefully examined said bill, return herewith correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
 JAMES E. BROOME,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Substitute for Senate Bill No. 178, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 453:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide the method and manner of building, constructing and maintaining public roads and bridges in Hamilton county, Florida, to provide a road and bridge fund for said county, and for the assessment and collection of same.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 453, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Leggett, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 261:

An act for the protection and preservation of fish in the waters of Lake County and waters subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of said county.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 264:

An act for the protection and preservation of game birds and certain other birds and animals in Lake County, and to provide that all non-citizens of this State, taking, hunting, or killing game in said county shall obtain a permit therefor, and to prohibit the sale in said county or the shipment or carrying therefrom of any deer, deer hides, otter pelts, or game.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. L. LEGGETT,
Chairman of Committee.

And the acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully, C. L. LEGGETT,
Chairman of Joint Committee.

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

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Very respectfully,

C. L. LEGGETT,
Chairman of Joint Committee.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signature of the President and Secretary thereof.

ENROLLED.

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The Acts were thereupon duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

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Beg to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

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Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred—

House Memorial No. 16:

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States asking that an appropriation be made sufficient to accommodate the commerce of the Apalachicola, Chattahoochee and Flint Rivers and their tributaries.

Have examined the same and find same correctly enrolled—

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

House Bill 459:

An act to organize and establish a County Court in and for Escambia County, Florida, and to prescribe the terms thereof, and for calling special terms of said Court; the transfer of causes from other Courts and matters pertaining thereto.

Also—

House Bill No. 616:

An act to provide the method and manner of building,

constructing and maintaining public roads and bridges in Gadsden County, Florida; to provide a road and bridge fund for said county and for the assessment and collection of same.

Have examined the same and find same correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully, C. L. LEGGETT,
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Beg to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

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Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

C. L. LEGGETT,
Chairman of Joint Committee.

Mr. Williams, Chairman of the Committee on Game and Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred:

House Bill No. 647:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the hunting of wild deer, turkey, quail, squirrel or other wild game in the county of Marion; prescribing times when same may be hunted therein or killed therein; and providing for license or permit to non-residents thereof, and prescribing penalties for the violations of the provisions thereof.

Have had the same under consideration and report the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. A. WILLIAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 647, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Flournoy, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 21, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 321:

Entitled an act providing for county depositories, and

for interest on county funds and the duties of County Treasurers connected therewith.

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

Very respectfully,
WM. W. FLOURNOY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 321, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Flournoy, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 21, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 327:

An Act entitled an act relating to the assessment and collection of revenue.

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

Very respectfully,
WM. W. FLOURNOY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 327, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Flournoy, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 21, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 274:

An act entitled an act relating to assessment of property for purposes of taxation.

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

Very respectfully,

WM. W. FLOURNOY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 274, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Municipalities, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Municipalities, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 662:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 37, 46, 47 and 65 of Chapter 5812, of the acts of 1907, being an act entitled "An act to establish the municipality of Key West, provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers."

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

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 662, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Municipalities, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Municipalities, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 461:

A bill to be entitled an act to correctly define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Dania, in Dade County, State of Florida, and to legalize the acts of said municipality heretofore done within such territorial limits.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 454:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the town of Bonifay, Holmes County, Florida, to issue bonds to erect a school building; to provide and construct and maintain waterworks therefor; and to provide for the payment of said bonds and interest thereon.

Also—

House Bill No. 490:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Titusville, in the county of Brevard, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Titusville, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

House Bill No. 629:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the municipality of Palatka, to issue additional bonds for waterworks and to provide for the payment thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 461, 454 and House Bills Nos. 490 and 629, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Flournoy, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 306:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the Department of Game and Fish of the State of Florida; the appointment of a State Game and Fish Commissioner, County and Special Deputy Game and Fish Wardens; providing for their salaries and expenses, and prescribing their powers and duties; and providing for the protection and preservation of the birds, game and fish within the State of Florida, and providing penalties, fines and forfeitures for violation of the State game and fish laws of this State.

Section 1, page 2, of printed bill, line 7: After the word "appoint" insert the following: "a fit and competent person who shall have been a citizen of the State of Florida for ten years."

Section 1, page 2, of printed bill, line 8: Strike out the word "elected" and insert in lieu thereof the word "appointed."

Section 1, page 2, of the printed bill, line 9: Strike out everything after the word "qualified."

Section 3, page 3, of printed bill, line 6: Strike out the word "designated" and insert in lieu thereof the word "appointed."

Section 4, page 3, of printed bill, line 5: After the word "sureties" insert the following: "or a responsible guarantee company doing business in the State of Florida."

Section 4 of printed bill, page 4, line 13: Strike out the words "by the Secretary of State."

Section 10 of printed bill, page 6, line 11: After the word "State" insert the following: "or the provisions of this act."

Section 13 of printed bill, page 7, line 10: After the word "laws" insert the following: "or of this act."

Section 14, page 8, line 7, printed bill: After the word "laws" insert the following: "or of this act."

Section 17 of printed bill, page 9, line 4: After the word

"State" strike out the words "Fish and Game" and insert in lieu thereof "Game and Fish."

Section 18 of printed bill, page 9, line 6: After the word "sureties" insert the following: "or a responsible guaranty company, doing business in the State of Florida;" also strike out the words "Secretary of State" and insert in lieu thereof "Game and Fish Commissioner."

Section 18 of printed bill, page 10, line 14: After the word "Laws" insert, "or the provisions of this act."

Section 19 of printed bill, page 10, line 5: After the word "Wardens" insert the following: "That all persons following the occupation of guides for fishing or hunting parties and all persons who shall, for hire or compensation, guide, conduct or take out hunting or fishing parties, shall be appointed Deputy Game and Fish Wardens by the Game and Fish Commissioner, furnished with a metal badge, and sworn in such capacity, and as such to enforce the violations of this act that may come under their observation, and make report of any such violations, or that may come to their knowledge. Such Deputies shall serve without pay."

Section 24 of printed bill, page 12, line 1: After the word "game" strike out comma, and insert in lieu thereof a period.

Section 25 of printed bill, page 13, line 7: After the word "laws" insert the words, "or the provisions of this act."

Section 26 of printed bill, page 13, line 3: Strike out the words "then passed" and insert in lieu thereof the following, "next prior thereto."

Section 28 of printed bill, page 15, line 6: Strike out the word "the" and insert in lieu thereof the word "any"; line 7, strike out the words "in which he or she desires to hunt."

Section 29 of printed bill, page 16, line 6: Strike out the word "shall."

Section 30 of printed bill, page 16, line 4: After the word "cents" insert the following: "In accordance with the provisions of Section 27."

Section 31, printed bill, page 17, line 3: Strike out the word "landlords" and insert in lieu thereof the word "freeholders." (Line 5) After the word "tenants" insert the following: "for a term of less than five years."

Section 35 of printed bill, page 20, line 10: After the

word "State" insert the following: "or the provisions of this act." (Line 15) Strike out "less than five dollars."

Section 38 of printed bill, page 22, line 11: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor less" and insert in lieu thereof the word "more."

Section 39 of printed bill, page 22, line 8: Strike out the words "not less than five dollars and."

Section 40 of printed bill, page 22, line 8: After the word "State," insert the following: "In the provisions of this Act." Line 11: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor."

Section 41, printed bill, page 23, line 6: Strike out the words "less than five dollars or" (line 7) strike out the word "Fifty," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one hundred."

Section 42 of printed bill, page 23, line 6: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor."

Section 43, page 24, line 9: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 44, page 24, of printed bill, line 9: Strike out the words "less than five dollars."

Section 45, page 25, line 3: Strike out the word "one" and insert the word "two." Line 10: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor."

Section 46, page 25, line 8, printed bill: Strike out the word "less." Page 26, line 9: Strike out the words "than five dollars nor."

Section 47, page 26, line 6: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor."

Section 48, page 26, lines 5 and 6, of printed bill: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 49 of printed bill, page 26, line 3: Strike out the word "of" after the word "birds," and insert in lieu thereof the word "or."

Line 4: After the word "State" insert the following: "Or with the provisions of this act." Page 27, line 7: Strike out the letters "ce" in the word "residence" and insert in lieu thereof the letters "ts." Line 8: Strike out the letters "ce" in the word "residence" and insert the letters "ts."

Section 50 of printed bill, page 27, line 11: Strike out the words "less than five dollars nor."

Section 51, page 28, line 3: After the word "who"

insert the word "wilfully." line 7: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 53, page 29, line 2: Strike out the word "official." Line 4: After the word "State" insert the following: "Or the provisions of this act." Line 7: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 55, page 29, line 3: Strike out the word "of" and insert in lieu thereof the word "or." Page 30, line 7: Strike out the word "Court" and insert in lieu thereof the word "Count."

Section 61, page 32, line 4: After the word "State" insert the following: "And the provisions of this act." Page 33, line 10: After the word "laws" insert the following: "Or this act." Line 11: After the word "laws" insert the following: "Or of this act."

Section 62, page 33, line 5: After the word "laws" insert the words "or of this act."

Section 63, page 34, line 7: Strike out the words "less than five nor." Line 8: After the word "offense" insert the following: "Provided, That this shall not apply to persons damming streams for the purpose of furnishing water power or for irrigation."

Section 64, page 34, line 10: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 66, page 35, lines 9 and 10: Strike out the words "less than five nor."

Section 68, page 36, line 3: After the word "State" insert the following: "And of this act."

Section 69, page 37, line 20: Strike out the words "less than five dollars." (Line 21 also.) Lines 27 and 28: Strike out the words "less than twenty-five dollars."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with amendments attached hereto.

WM. W. FLOURNOY,

And Senate Bill No. 306, together with the Committee amendments thereto, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

And Senate Bill No. 306, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Leggett—

Senate Bill No. 483:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the sale or fur-

nishing of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer, in counties where the sale of same is allowed by law, and prescribing a penalty for the violation of the provisions thereof.

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

By Mr. Sams—

Senate Bill No. 484:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect the health of school children and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

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

By Mr. Buckman—

Senate Bill No. 485:

A bill to be entitled an act making an appropriation for and directing the payment of certain vouchers heretofore issued by the Board of Control.

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

By Mr. Zim—

Senate Bill No. 486:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the city of St. Augustine, in the State of Florida, and to provide for the organization and conducting of the municipal government of said city, and prescribing the powers and duties of said municipality.

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

By Mr. Flournoy—

Senate Bill No. 487:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing and defining the corporate limits of the town of Bonifay, in Holmes and Washington Counties, Florida.

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

By Mr. Flournoy—

Senate Bill No. 488:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for the establish-

ment, control and maintenance of a Normal School at De-Funiak Springs, Florida, providing for scholarships thereat, and providing for the appointment of a Board of Trustees therefor, and defining their duties and powers.

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

By Mr. Flournoy—
Senate Bill No. 489:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the jurisdiction of the town marshals and deputies of the municipalities of Walton County, Florida, for the purposes of serving process of the Mayor's Court.

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

By Mr. Henderson—
Senate Bill No. 490:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal, amend and reenact with amendments Section 2652, of Article 2, Chapter 2, Title 3 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to corporations and the filing of letters patent, with certified copies of the charters of corporations for profit, and duplicate affidavits of their and the liabilities of stockholders for failure to do so.

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

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12:

Requesting the Interstate Commerce Commission to have all railroads transporting fruit and vegetables from this State to publish a daily bulletin showing the movement of cars to Eastern and Western territories.

Was taken up in its order and was read the second time in full.

Upon the question of its passage it was agreed to and adopted.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives, under the rule.

Mr. Beard moved that the rules be waived and that Senate now take up—

Senate Resolution No. 40:

Whereas, A Joint Committee was elected by the Legislature of 1907 to investigate the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida and to report to this Legislature its findings; and

Whereas, Said Committee made its report; and

Whereas, The report of said Committee shows that large sums of money belonging to said Fund were paid by the Trustees of said Fund in the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 for so-called legal services; and

Whereas, Said services for which such sums of money were paid were entirely inadequate to warrant the payment of such large sums of money: Therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate of the State of Florida, That a Committee of five lawyers, members of the Senate, be appointed by the President of the Senate, to investigate and report to the Senate at as early a date as practicable, whether or not suit may be instituted against the Trustees, their bondsmen, and the person or persons to whom such money has been so paid, for the recovery of such sums of money—

For immediate consideration.

Which was not agreed to.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following messages from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 22:

Be it resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to appoint a commission to consist of two members of the Senate and three members of the House who shall confer with the Ponce de Leon Celebration Association, of St. Augustine, Florida, and report to the next Legislature how the State may best co-operate

in fitting celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the landing of Ponce de Leon in America.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Vey respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, contained in the above message was read the first time and was laid over under the rule.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 21, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
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. 554:

A bill to be entitled an act to recognize in proper manner the honor conferred upon the State of Florida by the naming for this State of one of the two Dreadnought battleships now under construction by the United States; and appropriating the sum of five thousand dollars for the purchase of a suitable silver service for the Dreadnought battleship Florida, and providing for the securing and presentation of such silver service.

Also—

House Bill No. 655:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit fishing in the waters of any part of Bayou Texar, Bayou Chico, Bayou Grande, in Escambia County, Florida, except with rod, hook and line, spinner or troll or cast net.

Also—

House Bill No. 681:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section Eighteen (18) and twenty-five (25), and to repeal Section seventeen (17), and twenty-seven (27), of Chapter 5088 of Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to provide for the as-

assessment, levy and collection of revenue for the City of Pensacola."

Also—

House Bill No. 698:

A bill to be entitled an act affecting the government and extending and amplifying the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the City of South Jacksonville, a municipality in Duval County, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 554, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

And House Bill No. 665, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

And House Bill No. 681, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Beard moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 681 be placed on the Calendar of Bills on their Second Reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and the bill was so placed.

And House Bill No. 698, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Municipalities.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 22, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed with amendments.

Senate Bill No. 93:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3101,

Chapter 3, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the sale of collateral securities.

Which amendments are as follows:

Add to Section 1 of Senate Bill No. 93: "Provided, ten days' notice of said sale be given to the party pledging the same."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 93, contained in the above message, together with amendments of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Senate concur in the amendments of the House to Senate Bill No. 93.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 93, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 22, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,

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. 155:

A bill to be entitled an act to affirm the right of the city of Sanford to receive annually one-half of the amount realized from the road and bridge taxes of Orange County on property within the limits of that city.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 179:

A bill to be entitled an act to give the city of Orlando a lien upon private property for work done by the city where necessary for public health or convenience.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 203:

To amend Section 1, Article 2, of an act entitled "An act to abolish the present municipal government of the city of Sanford, Orange County, Florida, and organize a city government for the same, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers," approved May 24, 1893.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 287:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the name of the village of Sumatra, in Jackson County, from Sumatra to Alford.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 332:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 5863, of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Vernon, in Washington County, Florida, and provide for the election of its municipal officers," approved May 21, 1907.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 417:

A bill to be entitled an act to organize and establish a County Court in and for the county of DeSoto, to prescribe the terms thereof, to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, to provide for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney, and for the compensation of the Judge and Prosecuting Attorney.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELIUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 155, 179, 203, 287, 332 and 417, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their titles and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 22, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 699 :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida; to legalize the ordinance of said town and official acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the city of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers thereof.

Also—

House Bill No. 700 :

A bill to be entitled an act establishing the territorial limits of the City of Apalachicola, a municipal corporation, organized and existing in Franklin County, Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 701 :

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Brooksville, in the County of Hernando, and the State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Brooksville and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

House Bill No. 702 :

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 3, 4 and 5, Chapter 5781, Acts of 1907, to prohibit fishing in the waters of Sumter County, except with rod, hook and line, spinner, or troll, gun or gig.

Also—

House Bill No. 703 :

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Town of Gretna, in Gadsden County, Florida, to establish a municipal government for said town, to provide for its government and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM.

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 699, contained in the above mes-

sage, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Municipalities.

And House Bill No. 700, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Municipalities.

And House Bill No. 701, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Municipalities.

Mr. Dayton moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 701 be placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Which was not agreed to.

And House Bill No. 702, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

And House Bill No. 703, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Broome moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 703 be advanced to the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading, without reference.

Which was agreed to by a two-third vote, and so placed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate failed to pass Senate Bill No. 88 was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the motion to reconsider the vote by which it failed to pass was lost.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 187:

A bill to be entitled an act to prevent coercion in certain cases; and providing a penalty for violation of the provisions of this act.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The following committee amendment was read:

Strike out the words "by inference" in line 2, Section 1, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Indirectly."

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the committee amendment was adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 187, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 169:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 5767 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to organize a County Court in and for the County of Lafayette, to prescribe the terms thereof, and to provide for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney and for his compensation, and for that of Judge of said court."

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 184:

A bill to be entitled an act to require Sheriffs of the State of Florida to file a list of the names of their deputies with the Boards of County Commissioners.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The Committee Substitute therefor was read the first time by title.

The rules were waived and the Committee Substitute Bill for Senate Bill No. 184 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the substitute for Senate Bill No. 184.

Which was agreed to and it was adopted.

Mr. Flournoy moved to waive the rules and to pass the bill as amended to the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading without reference.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and the bill was so placed.

Senate Bill No. 230:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing any party defendant to any condemnation proceeding to file pleas or other appropriate pleadings putting in issue the purpose for which the property is sought to be condemned and also the necessity of condemning said property and requiring a jury, now provided by law in condemnation proceedings, to try said issues.

Was taken up and was read second time.

Mr. Cone, as chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 230.

Mr. Flournoy, by permission, withdrew Senate Bill No. 230.

Senate Bill No. 212:

A bill to be entitled an act in relation to taking testimony in chancery cases and in certain cases at law.

Was taken up and was read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 212 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference under the rule.

Senate Bill No. 229:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing any party whose property has been condemned to have a judgment entered in his favor against the corporation in whose favor the condemnation was had for the amount of damages assessed by the jury in said condemnation proceedings, together with his legal costs, and constituting said judgment in lien, and authorizing its satisfaction in the same manner as other judgments recovered in the Circuit Court.

Was taken up.

Mr. Flournoy moved that Senate Bill No. 458 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 229.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 458:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize ascertaining assessment, awarding and collection of attorney's fees, in cases which may be instituted in any of the courts of this State, both at common law and equity.

Was taken up and was read a second time in full.

The first Committee Amendment thereto was read as follows:

After the word "be," in line 2, of the title, add the word "hereafter."

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee Amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee Amendment was adopted.

The Second Committee Amendment was read as follows:

After the word "affidavit," in line 7, of Section 2, add the words "unless default or decree pro confesso may have been entered in said case, in which event ex parte affidavit may, at the discretion of the court be used."

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee Amendment as read.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee Amendment was adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 458, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 195:

A joint resolution proposing amendment to Section 9 of Article 5 of the Constitution of Florida, relating to judicial salaries.

Was taken up and was read a second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Joint Resolution No. 195 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 236:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 5094 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to incorporate the Town of Trilby, in Pasco County, Florida, and to provide for the election of its municipal officers.

Was taken up.

Mr. Dayton moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 236 be read by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 236 was read a second time by its title.

There being no amendment, the bill was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 251:

A bill to be entitled an act allowing a per diem to County Judges and Justices of the Peace for each day they hold court.

Was taken up.

Mr. Cone, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary B, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 251 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the renting or leasing of premises for immoral purposes and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 267 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 273:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3 of Chap-

ter 491, Laws of Florida, entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty of children and animals, and to rescue from immoral surroundings.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out the words "twenty-one" in last line of the first page.

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 273, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 265:

A bill to be entitled an act to empower the owner or lessor of premises used for immoral purposes to declare the rental contract lease thereof forfeited and to regain possession thereof.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 265 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 266:

A bill to be entitled an act, the keeping, maintaining or patronizing houses of ill-fame and other disorderly houses and the letting of premises for use for such purposes and prescribing a penalty therefor.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Cone, as Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, under the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 209:

A bill to be entitled an act appropriating money for the benefit and maintenance of the Florida State Reform School.

Was taken up and read a second time.

The Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 209:

A bill to be entitled an act appropriating money for the benefit and maintenance of the Florida State Reform School.

Was read the first time by its title.

Under a waiver of the rules, the Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 209 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Withers moved that the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 209 be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cone moved to waive the rules and that Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 209 be placed on the Calendar of Bills for Third Reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and the bill was so placed

Senate Bill No. 271:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide that all charters of incorporation or letters patent hereafter issued or granted in this State shall be subject to the right of the Legislature to alter or repeal the same.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

The Committee Amendment thereto were read as follows:

Amend Section 1 by striking out the words "or repeal of same," and insert in lieu thereof the words "the general laws under which the same are granted and to prescribe terms and conditions on which the same may be forfeited."

Mr. Leggett moved that the committee amendment be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 271, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 204:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the taxation of costs in all civil cases now pending or hereafter brought to the Supreme Court of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 204 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 270:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the payment of license taxes upon certain vehicles in Dade County.

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 135:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for printing of text books by the State to secure to the patrons of the

public schools of Florida and to certain other persons within the State a system of school books at the cost of printing; creating a Text Book Commission to compile text books for use in the public schools of the State; requiring certain duties of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and prescribing time and manner of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Was taken up.

Mr. Zim moved to lay Senate Bill No. 135 on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Senate Bill No. 83:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 170, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, prescribing the qualifications of voters in this State and the manner in which poll taxes shall be paid to qualify a voter, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof, and abolishing the present registration and providing for a new registration.

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 234:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2650, of the General Statutes of the State, relative to the issue and delivery of letters patent to corporations for profit.

Was taken up and was read a second time in full.

Mr. Dayton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 234:

Strike out the words "three dollars on one thousand dollars capital stock," and insert in lieu thereof the following, "two dollars."

Mr. Dayton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dayton moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was lost.

Which went over under the rules.

And the bill kept its place on the second reading.

House Bill No. 24:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2150, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the release of garnishee.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Bill No. 24 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 183:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2919, of the General Statutes, relative to allowance of free or reduced rates by common carriers.

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 3:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect benevolent, humane, fraternal or charitable corporations in the use of their names and emblems, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Was taken up and was read a second time.

Mr. McCreary moved that Senate Bill No. 3 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Senate Bill No. 249:

A bill to be entitled an act to validate and confirm all grants, privileges and permits which have heretofore been made and given, or attempted to have been made and given, by any of the cities and towns of this State, to any persons, firm or corporation, by resolution of the City or Town Council of said city or town, and which have been acted upon by the grantee or grantees, their successors or assigns, by the investment of money in good faith, and to give the force and effect of ordinances to resolutions heretofore passed by cities and towns in relation to grants, privileges and permits.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Massey, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 249 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 349:

A bill to be entitled an act making appropriations for deficiencies in the appropriations made by the Legislature of 1907 for jurors and witnesses, expenses, collection of revenue and expenses Florida State Troops for the two years ending June 30, 1909.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 349 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 317:

A bill to be entitled an act creating the office of Pardon Attorney; prescribing the duties of such Pardon Attorney and fixing his compensation; and providing that certain documents and notice of intention to apply for a pardon or commutation of sentence shall be filed with the Pardon Attorney at least thirty days before such application is presented to the State Board of Pardons for final action.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, and by consent, was temporarily passed.

Senate Bill No. 298:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 4869 of the Laws of the State of Florida, being an act entitled "An act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Lakeland, in the County of Polk, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as Lakeland, and to define its territorial boundary, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges."

Was taken up and informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 113:

A bill to be entitled an act to make mandatory at least one high school in every county.

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 303:

A bill to be entitled an act to declare Chipola River, in the counties of Calhoun and Jackson, in the State of Florida, to be a navigable stream.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment Senate Bill No. 303 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 278:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1, Chapter 5433, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the protection and preservation of fish in the

State of Florida, and to prohibit the shipping of certain fish during certain months.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The Committee Amendment was read as follows:

At the end of the section add the following: "Provided the provisions of this section shall not apply to any person having mullet for his own consumption."

Mr. Williams moved to adopt the Committee Amendment.

Which was agreed to and adopted.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 278:

Strike out the word "general" in the title of the bill.

Mr. Williams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to and adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 278, as amended, was referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 45:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring Teachers' Summer Training Schools, and making appropriations therefor.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Bill No. 45 was, under the rules, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 170:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for and requiring the teaching of the elementary principles of agriculture and the elements of civil government in all the common schools of the State of Florida; to provide a penalty in case any County Board of Education fails to provide for the teaching of the same, and requiring all teachers to stand a satisfactory examination upon said subjects.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 170 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 293:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate child labor in the State of Florida, and to make the provisions of such act effective; creating the office of State Labor Inspector, and defining duties and compensation of such officer.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Humphries moved that the further reading of the bill be dispensed with, and that Senate Bill 293 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

House Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act amending Sections 2, 3, 5 and 8, of an act defining the manner and causes of commitment of minors to the Florida State Reform School, at Marianna; defining who shall be committed, and for what time, and upon what conditions; regulating the discipline, providing for proper management of said reform school, and appropriating money for said institution; approved June 15, 1905.

Was taken up.

Mr. Adkins moved to substitute Senate Bill No. 152 for House Bill No. 8, and the same be now taken up.

Which was agreed to, and

Senate Bill No. 152:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 8, of Chapter 5388, of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act defining and the manner and cause of commitments of minors to the Florida State Reform School at Marianna, defining who shall be committed and for what time and upon what condition, regulating the discipline, providing for the proper management of said reform school, and appropriating money for the benefit of said institution."

Was taken up.

Mr. Adkins moved that the rules be waived and that the original bill be read a second time by title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and

Senate Bill No. 152 was read a second time by its title.

The Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 152:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 8, of Chapter 5388, of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act defining and the manner and cause of commitments of minors to the Florida State Reform School at Marianna, defining who shall be committed and for what time and upon which condition, regulating the discipline, providing for the proper management of said reform school, and appropriating money for the benefit of said institution."

Was taken up and read the first and second times.

Mr. Massey moved to adopt the Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 152.

Which was agreed to, and the substitute bill was adopted.

And substitute bill for Senate Bill No. 152 was, under the rules, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Adkins moved that House Bill No. 8 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Senate Bill No. 269:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the punishment of offenses where no punishment is otherwise prescribed.

Was taken up and informally passed over.

House Bill No. 210:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3226 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the discharge of firearms in public.

Was taken up.

Mr. Cone, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll was called and the following was the vote:

Yeas—Senators Buckman, Cook, Cone, Cottrell, Dayton, Flournoy, Harris, Hosford, Johnson, Leggett, Miller, Williams—12.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Baker (20th Dist.), Beard, Davis Henderson, Humphries, Massey, West, Withers—11.

So the Senate agreed to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 210.

House Bill No. 46:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1523 of the General Statutes of Florida, in reference to evidence given upon a former trial and use of former bills of exceptions.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered House Bill No. 46 was, under the rules, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 305:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 2008, 2011, 2013 and 2027, of Article 6, Chapter 11, Title 3 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to exercise of right of eminent domain.

Was taken up and was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 118:

A bill to be entitled an act relating to the approval of official bonds.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, House Bill No. 118 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading, without reference.

House Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for the confirmation by the judge granting the order to sell real estate belonging to infants.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, House Bill No. 27 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 263:

A bill to be entitled an act to require fire insurance companies to deposit a certain amount in cash or securities with the Treasurer of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

The amendment of the Committee on Judiciary A was read, as follows:

In Section 1, line 6, after the words "ten thousand dollars," insert the following:

"Or a surety bond in the amount of twenty thousand dollars of a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Florida, said bond and company to be approved of by the State Treasurer; the surety company offering such bond agreeing, in case of a failure of any fire insurance company so bonded to deposit immediately with the State Treasurer twenty thousand dollars in cash or marketable securities, to be held by the Treasurer for the protection of all legal claims against such company in this State, as provided in this act."

McMullen moved that the amendment of the Committee be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 263, as amended, was, under the rule, referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Cottrell offered to withdraw Senate Bill No. 257.

Which was granted, and the bill was withdrawn.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate do now take up Miscellaneous Business.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following message from the Governor was read:

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and signed the following acts which originated in your honorable body:

An act providing for the confirmation by the judge granting the order to sell real estate belonging to infants.

An act requiring Teachers' Summer Training School and making appropriations therefor.

An act to amend an act entitled "An act to protect the fresh water fishes in the fresh water lakes, ponds and other fresh water streams in the County of Alachua." Approved May 17, A. D. 1909.

An act changing the name of the Institute for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb.

An act changing the name of the University of the State of Florida.

An act changing the name of the Colored Normal School.

An act changing the name of the Florida Female College.

Very respectfully,

ALBERT W. GILCHRIST,
Governor.

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved,

signed and caused to be filed in the Secretary of State's office the following act:

An act regulating the practice of Optometry; to provide for a Board of Examiners and for the examination of practitioners of Optometry; for the registration of licensed practitioners and prescribing a penalty for its violation.

Very respectfully,

ALBERT W. GILCHRIST,
Governor.

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have received and caused to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State the following:

A memorial to the Congress to the United States asking an appropriation for the improvement of the upper Ocklawaha River.

Very respectfully,

ALBERT W. GILCHRIST,
Governor.

Mr. Beard moved to waive the rules, and that Senate Joint Resolution No. 40 be made a special order for 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Which was not agreed to.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Leggett offered the following Resolution No. 55:

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, That the Committee on Enrolled Bills be allowed what clerical help necessary to transact the business before it.

And Senate Resolution was, under the rule, referred to the Committee on Legislative Expenses.

Mr. McMullen moved that the Senate adjourn until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

The Senate met pursuant to recess order.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Present—Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Baker (20th Dist.), Baker (29th Dist.), Beard, Buckman, Crill, Cook, Cone, Cottrell, Davis, Dayton, Flournoy, Girardeau, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Humphries, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McLeod, McMullen, Miller, Sams, Sloan, West, Williams, Withers, Zim—31.

A quorum was present.

Mr. Flournoy moved that Senate Bill No. 468 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 230.

Which motion was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 468:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 2574 and 2576, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, governing the issuance of marriage licenses and the manner of and persons authorized to solemnize matrimony; providing for the certification and return of license, and providing penalty for violation thereof.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

The Committee amendment was read, as follows:

Add the following; "And provided, that when both of the contracting parties to be married are over the age of twenty-one years, then each in such event the license may be issued by the County Judge of this State."

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee amendment was adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 468, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Cone moved that House Bill No. 173 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 113.

Which was agreed to, and

House Bill No. 173:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2759, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, providing for the issuance of certificates to insurance companies, and providing other prerequisites.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, House Bill No. 173 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Mr. Sloan moved that Senate Joint Resolution No. 45 be taken from the table subject to call, and that Senate Bill No. 309 be substituted for Senate Joint Resolution No. 45.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and

Senate Bill No. 309—

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on railroads and the properties thereof for any or all of the five years previous to the year for which the assessment is being made.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Sloan, by consent, withdrew Senate Joint Resolution No. 45.

There being no amendments, Senate Bill No. 309, under the rules, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading without reference.

Mr. Baker, of the 20th District, moved that Senate Bill No. 183 be substituted by Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 183 was so substituted.

The original Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318 were read a second time respectively, and

Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2919, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as to the allowance of free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers.

Was read the first and second times.

Mr. Baker, of the 20th District, moved that the Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318 be adopted in lieu of the original bill.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee Substitute was adopted.

Mr. Baker, of the 20th District, asked and was granted permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 183.

Mr. Humphries offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318:

Add after "allowed," in line 12, on page 2, of the bill the following: "Provided that this act shall not prohibit newspapers of the State from making contracts for an exchange of advertising space for transportation."

Mr. Humphries moved the adoption of the amendment.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll was called, and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Buckman, Dayton, Harris, Hosford, Humphries, Johnson McCreary, Sams, Sloan—9.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Baker (20th Dist.), Beard, Crill, Cook, Cone, Davis, Flournoy, Girardeau, Henderson, Leggett, Massey, McLeod, McMullen, Miller, West, Williams, Withers, Zim—20.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Henderson offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318:

Add after the word "return" in line 8 of page 2, the following: "or for giving free passes or reduced transportation to the sheriffs of the State."

Mr. Henderson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dayton, of Ninth, offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318:

"Provided that nothing in this act shall prevent the companies acting as common carriers in this State from issuing free passes to the sheriffs of this State."

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Massey moved to adopt the Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318, as amended.

Which was agreed to, and the Substitute Bill, as amended, was adopted.

The Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 218 and 318, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 313:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 617 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida, and to their powers and duties.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Beard offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 313:

Strike out the word "irrevocably" wherever the same occurs.

Mr. Beard moved the adoption of the amendment.
Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Beard offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 313:

Add to Section 1 the following words: "Provided, however, that the Comptroller shall not be relieved hereby, from any legal responsibility incurred in the administration of said fund before the passage of this act."

Mr. Beard moved the adoption of the amendment.
Which was agreed to, and adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 313, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 311:

A bill to be entitled an act making it unlawful for any person to break down, injure, destroy or remove any dam or levee used in connection with any dredging or drainage operations, or in connection with any canal in this State, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Was taken up and read a second time.

The Committee amendment was read, as follows:

Strike out of the word "bread," in the first line of the title of said bill the letter "d" and add the letter "k" in lieu thereof, so as to make said word read "break."

Mr. Sams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 333—

A bill to be entitled an act to insure the arrest of persons charged with unlawful homicide, and providing for the payment of a reward for the arrest of such persons.

Mr. Cook moved to waive the rules and to substitute Senate Joint Resolution No. 236 for Senate Bill No. 333, and to withdraw Senate Bill No. 333.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll was called, and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Baker (20th District), Beard, Buckman, Crill, Cook, Cone, Cottrell, Dayton, Flournoy, Girardeau, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McMullen, Miller, Sloan, West, Williams, Withers, Zim—24.

Nays—Senators Adkins, Johnson—2.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 286:

A joint resolution proposing a revision of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Joint Resolution No. 286 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 108:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the speed of automobiles and motor cars on the public highways in the State of Florida, and to cause them to stop when signalled to, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, as required by the rule, moved that House Bill No. 108 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 108 was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 101:

A bill to be entitled an act to require that all State, county and municipal records shall at all times be open for public inspection.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

The Committee Amendment was read as follows:

Strike out all of Section 3.

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee Amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee Amendment was adopted.

And House Bill No. 101, as amended, was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 58:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3542, of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to open profanity.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

The Committee Amendment was read as follows:

Strike out in the third line of Section 1 "profanely curses." Strike out in the fourth line of Section 1 "or

swears, or," and insert in the fourth line of Section 1, after the word "uses," the word "profane."

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee Amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee Amendment was adopted.

And House Bill No. 58, as amended, was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

House Bill No. 121:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for a special road tax for cities and towns.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment House Bill No. 121 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 350:

A bill to be entitled an act to give the City of Marianna a lien upon private property for work done by the city where necessary for public health or convenience.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 350 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 334:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a State Forestry Commission and to promote the conservation of forest resources of the State.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 334 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 295:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the change, by municipal ordinance, approved by the electors of cities and towns, of the numbers, powers and duties, terms of office and time and manner of election or appointment of municipal officers, excepting only as to the legislative powers and duties of city or town councils.

Which was informally passed this morning, was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Cone, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, as required by the rule, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which was not agreed to, and the Senate refused to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Buckman, of Eighteenth, offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 295:

Add to bottom of section: "Provided the provisions of this act shall not apply to cities and towns having special charters."

Mr. Buckman moved the adoption of the amendment. Which was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 295 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 326:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the manufacture and sale of duplicate switch lock keys.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

The Committee amendment was read, as follows:

Strike out, in Section one (1), line eleven (11), the words "two hundred" and insert in lieu thereof the words "five hundred."

Mr. Sams moved to adopt the Committee amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee amendment was adopted.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out Section two (2).

Mr. Cone moved to adopt the Committee amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was adopted.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out, in Section one (1), line twelve (12), the words "sixty days," and insert in lieu thereof the words "six months."

Mr. Cone moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and

Senate Bill No. 326, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 329:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring the judges of the several courts of the State of Florida to state in writing, on ruling on a demurrer or motion, what grounds of the demurrer or motion are sustained as good law and what

grounds of the demurrer or motion are overruled as bad law.

Mr. Dayton moved to waive the rules and that the bill be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 329 was read a second time by its title.

The Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 329 was read the first and second times.

Mr. Johnson offered the following amendment to Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 329:

Strike out the words "as bad law," at end of title.

Mr. Johnson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dayton moved to adopt the substitute as amended.

Which was agreed to, and the Committee substitute as amended was adopted.

Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 329, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 279:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the admission of graduates of Law Departments of chartered universities and chartered law schools to practice law in the courts of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being an interlineation, Senate Bill No. 279 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Flournoy called up—

Senate Bill No. 310:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 808 and 809 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the erection of court houses and jails and the levying of taxes for such purposes, and to extend the effect of said sections so as to include public bridges, and to authorize the issuing of interest-bearing warrants.

Which was passed informally this morning.

The Committee Substitute was again read for information.

Mr. Dayton moved to adopt the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 310.

Mr. Flournoy offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 310:

After the word "bridge" in line 7 of Section 1, add the words, "or upon a petition signed by a majority of the legal and registered voters of the county." And after the word "these" in line 17 of Section 1, add the words, "or upon a petition signed by a majority of the legal and registered voters of the county."

Mr. Flournoy moved the adoption of the amendment.
Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 310 as amended was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 259:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for amendment of the charters of incorporated cities or towns of this State by ordinance of municipal council submitted to the electors of such city or town.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. McMullen, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 259 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 250:

A bill to be entitled an act to define and prohibit usury and usurious contracts in this State, and to require that mortgages shall state separately and distinctly, the principal, interest and fees secured by such mortgage and to require creditors to give to debtors receipts for money paid, and prescribing penalties for the violations of this act.

Was taken up.

Mr. Beard moved to waive the rules and to read the bill a second time by its title.

Which was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 250 was read a second time in full.

Mr. Beard moved that House Bill No. 225 be taken up in lieu of Senate Bill No. 250.

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll was called, and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Baker (20th Dist.), Beard, Cottrell, Dayton, Flournoy, Girardeau, Humphries, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McLeod, McMullen, Sloan, Withers—14.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Buckman, Crill, Cone, Davis, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Johnson, Sams, West—12.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 250:

Strike out the words "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida."

Mr. Harris moved the adoption of the amendment. Which was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 250 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 324:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 47 and each section thereof of the Laws of Florida, and to provide a means of appointing the court reporters, prescribing their duties and fixing their salaries.

Was taken up.

Mr. Cone, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 324 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 354:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing and providing for the construction and maintenance of trunk line highways through the State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of Committee on Public Roads and Highways, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postponed the bill.

Which was agreed to and Senate Bill No. 354 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 368:

A bill to be entitled an act amending Section 874, Chapter 11 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the division of counties into road districts.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 368 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading, without reference.

Senate Bill No. 367:

A bill to be entitled an act to cure certain informalities

in the execution of deeds and other instruments conveying or transferring real or personal property or relinquishing dower made by married women prior to the first day of May, A. D. 1909.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Buckman offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 367:

Add to bottom of Section 1: "That the provision of this act shall not apply to vested rights or any pending legislation."

Mr. Buckman moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and adopted.

Mr. Dayton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 367:

Add words, "freely" and "voluntarily," after the word "apprehension" in line 12 of Section 1.

Mr. Dayton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and adopted.

And Senate Bill No. 367, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 364:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1512 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5649 of the Laws of 1907, the same being relative to the pay of witnesses.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment Senate Bill No. 364 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading without reference.

Senate Bill No. 347:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate the sum of sixty-five thousand dollars annually from the proceeds from the hire of State prisoners, and directing that twenty thousand dollars thereof shall annually be set apart as a sinking fund to pay and retire the outstanding bonds of the State and the remaining forty-five thousand dollars shall be applied annually as part of any amount appropriated for maintenance of lunatics.

Was taken up.

Mr. Withers, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 347 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 348:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of deposits of phosphate, or the right to mine phosphate, now lying in waters belonging to the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment Senate Bill No. 348 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on third Reading without reference.

House Bill No. 107:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring tax assessors to furnish to the Boards of Public Instruction of their respective counties a list showing the total amount of special district taxes assessed in the several special school districts.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

There being no amendment House Bill No. 107 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 217:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 347 and Section 351, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to the duties of County Boards of Public Instruction and County Superintendents of Public Instruction.

Mr. Henderson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 217 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 240:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of L. M. Richardson, of Owens, DeSoto County, Florida, for loss of horses ordered killed by Charles F. Dawson, Veterinarian of the University of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Cook moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Claims.

Which was agreed to, and Senate Bill No. 240 was so recommitted.

House Bill No. 112:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of R. K. Elliott.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 112:

Strike out Section 2.

Mr. Cottrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 112:

Insert after the word "pardon," in line 7, Section 1, the following: "Provided, the same shall first be approved by the County Commissioners of Lafayette County."

Mr. Cottrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 112, as amended under the rule, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 328:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of C. C. Odom, of Providence, Bradford County, Florida, for the loss of one mule ordered killed by Thomas J. Mahaffey, Veterinarian to State Board of Health.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Cook moved to recommit Senate Bill No. 328 to the Committee on Claims.

Which was agreed to, and the bill was so recommitted.

Senate Bill No. 152:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 8, of Chapter 5388, of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act defining the manner and cause of commitments of minors to the Florida State Reform School at Marianna, defining who shall be committed and for what time and upon what condition, regulating the discipline, providing for the proper management of said reform school, and appropriating money for the benefit of said institution."

Was taken up.

Mr. Adkins moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Which was agreed to.
And Senate Bill No. 152 was recommitted to Judiciary Committee A.

House Bill No. 10:

A bill to be entitled an act to reimburse parties who shall hereafter lose property or money by theft or other fraudulent means.

Was taken up.

Mr. Massey, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, as required by the rule, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was agreed to, and House Bill No. 10 was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Humphries moved to waive the rules and that the Senate now advance to the order of Miscellaneous Business.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. McCreary—

Senate Bill No. 491:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize and permit the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company to take up the track and remove the line of its road from Evinston to Rochelle, and from Micanopy Junction to Tacoma and build a line of railroad from Evinston via Micanopy Junction to a point connecting with the line of its road from Gainesville to Rochelle.

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

By Mr. Flournoy—

Senate Bill No. 492:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the County School Boards or Trustees of School Sub-Districts, in Walton County, to dispose of and convey lands or other property granted to or held by them for educational purposes; to prescribe the mode of conveyance, and to provide for the disposition of funds arising therefrom.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Flournoy moved that the bill be not referred, but be placed on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Municipalities, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Municipalities to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 698:

A bill to be entitled an act affecting the government, and extending and amplifying the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the City of South Jacksonville, a municipality, in Duval County, Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. No. 698, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Municipalities, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Municipalities, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 671:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the election held on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1909, in the City of Bartow, to determine whether or not bonds should be issued and sold, as proposed and provided by an ordinance of said city, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the issuing of bonds of the City of Bartow, Polk County, Florida, for the purpose of securing funds for the establishment of a sewerage system in said city," which was passed

in open council by the city council of the City of Bartow, on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1909, and approved by the mayor of said city on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1909, and to declare and render valid said ordinance, and to authorize the issuance of bonds as provided in said ordinance.

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

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 671, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Municipalities, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Municipalities, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 699:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida, to legalize the ordinances of said town and official acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the City of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers thereof.

Also—

House Bill No. 700:

A bill to be entitled an act establishing the territorial limits of the City of Apalachicola, a municipal corporation organized and existing in Franklin County Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 701:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Brooksville, in the County of Hernando, and the State of Florida, and to

be designated as the town of Brooksville, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

House Bill No. 689:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the town of Bonifay, Holmes County, Florida, to issue bonds to erect a school building; to provide and construct and maintain waterworks therefor; and to provide for the payment of said bonds and interest thereon.

Also—

House Bill No. 668:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 3 and 7, of Chapter 5364 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An act to incorporate and establish a municipal government for the town of Tarpon Springs, in Hillsborough County, Florida; provide for its government, prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to abolish the present corporation of said town."

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

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bills Nos. 699, 700, 701, 689 and 668, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Leggett moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. Harris moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. Beard moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion of Mr. Beard was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, May 25, 1909.

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1909.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
The President in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Adkins, Baker (20th District), Beard, Broome, Buckman, Crill, Cook, Cone, Cottrell, Davis, Dayton, Flournoy, Girardeau, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Humphries, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McLeod, McMullen, Miller, Sams, Sloan, West, Williams, Withers, Zim.—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 24 was corrected.

The Journal of May 24 was approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1909.

Hon. F. M. Hudson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 273:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 491, Laws of Florida, entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals, and to rescue from immoral surroundings."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 458:

A bill to be hereafter entitled an act to authorize ascer-