

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

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 354 and 365, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission—
 Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 366:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 2653 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to corporations.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 342:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment in installments, and otherwise, of the commissions of the several assessors of taxes in the State of Florida, and to provide the time when, and the fund from which such payments shall be made.

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

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 366 and 342, contained in the above report, were placed on the table, under the rule.

Mr. Moore moved that the Senate do now adjourn.
 Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock
 A. M. Thursday, May 3, 1917.

Thursday, May 3, 1917.

The senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gorn-to, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of Journal dispensed with.

Journal of May 2 was corrected.

The Journal of May 2, as corrected, was approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 33:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of the several counties in the State of Florida, in their discretion, to employ an attorney at law to prosecute those charged with the commission of crime and offenses against the laws of the State, before the County Judge's Court, and to fix and prescribe the compensation of such attorney.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
 Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 33, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Militia, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.
Sir:

Your Committee on Militia, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 274:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for voluntary military service in the several counties of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enlistment of volunteer companies under the jurisdiction of the State of Florida, for such voluntary military service within the counties where such voluntary military service is offered, and to provide for control and management thereof.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 281:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to permit certain individuals to organize and maintain military companies to be known as the "Home Guards," within the State of Florida, and to prescribe the powers and duties of said companies, and the individual members thereof.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do not pass, because of Committee Bill covering same subject.

Very respectfully,
JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 274 and 281, contained in the above report, were placed on the table, under the rule.

Mr. Farris, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.
Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 151:

A Joint Resolution proposing an Amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relative to miscellaneous provisions.

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

Very respectfully,
ION L. FARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 151, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Farris, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.
Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

House Joint Resolution No. 25:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section 8, of article XII, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to education.

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

Very respectfully,
ION L. FARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Joint Resolution No. 25, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Farris, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 362:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to article V of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relative to the Judiciary Department.

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

Very respectfully,

ION L. FARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 362, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Farris, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 2, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 314:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the compensation of the Senators and Members of the House of Representatives.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that same do pass, with amendment.

Very respectfully,

ION L. FARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 314, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 349:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to fees and compensation in cases of suspension from office; carrying into effect the provision of Section 15 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Florida as to compensation of officers suspended but not removed from office."

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

Add at the end of Section 1 the following:

"Provided, further, however, that the appointee may, upon ten days' notice to such suspended officer and to the officer with whom such funds may be deposited, apply by petition to the Circuit Judge of the county wherein such officer may reside, for an order requiring the official with whom the funds may be deposited to pay over to such appointee such compensation and fees and the said Judge shall thereupon take testimony relative to the cause of suspension as stated in the order of suspension, and, if in the opinion of such judge there is probable cause for such suspension, he shall so order, and shall thereupon order and direct that such compensation and fees be paid to such appointee.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 349, with committee amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 30.)

An Act regulating the appearance of defendants in all suits brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida in Chancery, whether defendants are served personally or by publication, and providing for the entry of decrees *pro confesso* upon failure of the defendants to appear.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 245.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding unpaid warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, State of Florida, against Special Tax Road District No. 1, of Citrus County, on and prior to April 2, A. D. 1917, providing for the reissuance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be charged, the levying of a tax to pay the same and the fund against which the same is to be charged.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 299.)

An Act providing for the protection of the roads and public highways of Seminole County, and prescribing the

manner and mode of use of said highways by automobiles, motor trucks and other vehicles, providing for the regulation and operation of said vehicles on said highways, and providing for a license tax to be paid for the operation of certain automobiles, motor trucks and vehicles using the roads and public highways of Seminole County and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions hereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 227.)

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of Florida, and Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, by amending Sections 1 and 2 of said Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, and adding two additional Sections to said Charter to be known as Sections 39 (c) and Section 53 (b).

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 99.)

An Act to amend Section 2193 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to liens for materials furnished

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 55.)

An Act to amend Section 2919 of General Statutes of the State of Florida as amended by Chapter 5895 of Acts of 1909, the same relating to the allowance of free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 266:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public highways, and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix the amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same on State and State Aid roads and bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled "An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida," and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 6212 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, same being entitled 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles using the public roads or highways of the State of Florida, either for hire or otherwise.'"

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 266, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 30.)

An Act regulating the appearance of defendants in all

suits brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida in Chancery, whether defendants are served personally or by publication, and providing for the entry of decrees *pro confesso* upon failure of the defendants to appear.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 245.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding unpaid warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, State of Florida, against special tax road district No. 1, of Citrus County on and prior to April 2, A. D. 1917, providing for the reissuance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be charged, the levying of a tax to pay the same and the fund against which the same is to be charged.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 299.)

"An Act providing for the protection of the roads and public highways of Seminole County, and prescribing the manner and mode of use of said highways by automobiles, motor trucks and other vehicles, providing for the regulation and operation of said vehicles on said highways, and providing for a license tax to be paid for the operation of certain automobiles, motor trucks and vehicles using

the roads and public highways of Seminole County and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions hereof."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 227.)

"An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of Florida, and Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, by amending sections 1 and 2 of said charter, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, and adding two additional sections to said charter to be known as section 39 (c) and section 53 (b)."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 99.)

"An Act to amend section 2193 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to liens for materials furnished."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 55.)

"An Act to amend section 2919 of General Statutes of State of Florida as amended by Chapter 5895 of Acts of 1909, the same relating to the allowance of free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers."

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 286:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend chapter 6932, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, relating to the creation and establishment of county depositories and county school depositories."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 295:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for proceedings supplementary to an execution."

Beg to report that other Bills of similar character have been before this committee, received a favorable report, and have been passed by the Senate; and we therefore recommend that these Bills be withdrawn by the introducers.

Very respectfully,
C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 286 and 295, contained in the above report, were read.

Mr. Calkins moved that Senate Bills Nos. 286 and 295 be laid on the table.

Which was agreed to.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 273:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require title notes and deeds to be recorded in order to be valid or effectual against creditors or subsequent purchasers without notice.

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

Very respectfully,
C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 273, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 336:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing a period of limitations for actions for the recovery of certain lands and quieting the title thereto.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 275:

A Bill to be entitled An Act declaring Saturday afternoons half holidays in the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 336 and 275, contained in the above report, was placed on the table, under the rule.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Committee on Temperance—

Senate Bill No. 409:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Sections 1219 and 1220 of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to requisites of applications for permit to sell liquors, wines and beers, and the publication thereof, and repealing Sections 1222, 1223 and 1224 of the General Statutes of Florida, and providing for remonstrance to petitions.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading, without reference.

By Mr. Eaton—

Senate Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the qualifications of voters participating in a bond election.

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

By Mr. Carlton—

Senate Bill No. 411:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which foreign corporations for profit may acquire, hold or dispose of property in this State."

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

By Committee on Agriculture—

Senate Bill No. 412:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 5600, Laws of Florida, approved May 21, 1907, An Act to provide for the enumeration of agricultural, horticultural, live stock, manufacturing, industrial and other statistics for their compilation, for the appointment of county enumerators, to define their duties, to provide for their compensation, fixing penalties and to define the duties of the Boards of County Commissioners in connection therewith.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. Willis—

Senate Bill No. 413:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the catching of fresh water fish in the streams, lakes or ponds of Jackson County, Florida, during the months of April and May of each year, and providing punishment therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Willis moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 413 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 413 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Willis moved that the rules be further waived and

that Senate Bill No. 413 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. 413 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Farris—

Senate Bill No. 414:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the posting of advertisements, bills, notices, signs or posters, and prohibiting the same under certain circumstances, declaring the same to be a nuisance, and providing a penalty and punishment therefor.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 415:

A Bill to be entitled An Act concerning waiver of oath to answer in chancery.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 416:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 63, Chapter 6469, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June 3, 1913, as amended by Chapter 6874 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to amend Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 40, 44, 45, 52, 55 and 63, and repeal Sections 64 and 65 of Chapter 6469 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June 4, 1915.

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

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that two from the Senate and three from the House be appointed by their respective presiding officers to visit the State Farm at Raiford and report on the same.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate refused to adopt the Resolution.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

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. 573:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Manatee County, to pay interest upon said bonds not exceeding eight per cent. (8%) per annum, and to limit the borrowing capacity of said Board.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 573, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 573 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 573 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 573 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 573 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igo, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Also—

The following message from the Senate was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 369:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in municipal elections to be held in the Town of Orange City, Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 369, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 305:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to organize the county court in the County of Pasco; to prescribe for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney for said court; to prescribe for the terms of said court, and to make said court of record, to provide for the transfer of all causes now pending in the Circuit Court and the Justice of the Peace Court to said court for further consideration, which causes will be within the jurisdiction of said county court; to provide for the framing of the first jury, etc.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 305, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 327:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 2 of Chapter 6692 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled "An Act affecting the government of the City of Gainesville, and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said city, and creating certain offices."

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 327, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 300:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of St. Johns County, Florida, to issue interest bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of securing negotiable warrants, thereby enabling said board to secure a lower rate of interest upon the outstanding indebtedness of the said board, and providing for the payment of said interest bearing coupon warrants, and the cancellation of the present outstanding indebtedness of said board.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 300, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 444:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the condemnation and removal of decayed, unsightly, dangerous or unlawful buildings, ruins, awnings, porches or structures within the limits of the City of Orlando.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 444, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 439:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Washington County, Florida, and to create a sinking fund for the payment

of the principal and interest on said warrants and to provide for the retirement of same.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 439, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 439 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 439 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 439 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 439 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 437:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the size of bar and mesh and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Bay County, Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of same.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 413, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 387:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and direct the Board of County Commissioners of Liberty County to levy an annual tax on dogs, prescribing the manner in which said tax shall be paid and making any violation hereof a misdemeanor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto:

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 387, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 521:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of securing negotiable warrants, thereby enabling said Board to secure a lower rate of interest upon the outstanding indebtedness of the said Board, and providing for the payment of said interest-bearing coupon warrants and the cancellation of the present outstanding indebtedness of said Board.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 521, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 364:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, to employ

an attorney at law to prosecute those charged with crime before the County Judge's and Justice of the Peace Courts of said County.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 364, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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. 572:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of Jacksonville to expend money to aid and assist any public safety committee or council organized for the protection of public property in the time of war between the United States and any foreign government.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 572, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 78:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the issuing by anyone of checks or orders upon banks or other persons,

when the makers of such orders or checks have not sufficient funds on deposit with the drawee to pay such order, to prescribe a rule of evidence therein, and to provide punishment therefor.

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

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In Section 1, line 26, strike out the words "ten years" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "one year."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In Section 1, line 14, after the word "after" and before "notice," insert the word "written."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In Section 1, line 27, strike out the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "one."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In Section 2, line 2, strike out the word "supplementary" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "supplementary."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In section 2 add "and a receipt from the registry department of any United States post office shall be deemed prima facie evidence of the actual delivery of notice as provided in this Act."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

Strike out section (4) four.

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In section 1, line 13, strike out the words "seventy-four hours" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Five days."

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 78, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 14:

A Bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting the provisions of An Act of Congress, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, the same being entitled: "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and all acts supplementary thereto; and making appropriations to meet the conditions of the Federal Aid Road Act, and providing an assessment of a half-mill on all of the taxable property in this State to meet the same.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Andrews moved to waive the rules, that Senate Bill No. 14 and all other Bills made a special order for consideration today be passed over until tomorrow and remain a special order tomorrow.

Which was not agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 14, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—Mr. Sheppard—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 13:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6883 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1915, the same being entitled: "An Act providing for the creation of a State Road Department; providing for the appointment of the members of such Department; prescribing their duties

and powers; providing for the employment of a State Road Commissioner, and creating a fund for the maintenance thereof.

Was taken up and read a third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 13, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wilson—26.

Nays—Senator Davis—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 267:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State convict road force and to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked; and providing funds with which to carry into effect the general provisions thereof.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 267, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Jones, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Wilson—19.

Nays—Senators Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis—20.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 265:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of the public roads of this State for traffic of an unusual destructive character.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Wells moved that the further consideration of this Bill be deferred until tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Joint Resolution No. 264:

A Joint Resolution proposing an Amendment to Section 6 of Article II, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to State bonds.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 264 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Hughlett, Jones, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Wilson—12.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Davis, Gornito, Greene, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis—16.

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 264 failed to pass.

BILLS ON THE THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 154 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 230:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment of a pension to E. A. Bowdoin, of Dorcas, Florida.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 230 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Hughlett, Jones, King, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton—14.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Carlton, Davis, Greene, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—16.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Senate Bills No. 213 and 67 were taken up in their respective orders and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 3:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to restore to the tax books of Bradford County certain lands withdrawn from the list of taxable property of said County by reason of the purchase by the State of lands in said County, known as the State Prison Farm, and to provide for the assessment and collection and payment of taxes thereon for County

purposes; prescribing certain duties in relation thereto of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 3, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—Senators Jones MacWilliams, Turner—3.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 251, being on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading, it was stricken from the same.

House Bill No. 37:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the reading of the Holy Bible and holding devotional exercises in the public schools of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of House Bill No. 37, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Hughlett, Igou, King, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wilson—18.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, McEachern, Wells—9.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Alexander, in explaining his vote, said:

“Mr. President: I was raised by Christian parents, and out of love and respect I have for them and their teachings and my belief and love I have for the good book, I vote aye.

Mr. Johnson, explaining his vote on House Bill No. 37, said:

“I vote ‘no’ on this Bill for the reason that it is not now unlawful to read the Bible in the public schools of this State. This Bill might open the door to the teaching of sectarianism or doctrine in the public schools.”

Senate Bill No. 86:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to define domestic and foreign investment companies; to provide for the regulation and supervision of same; to provide conditions and terms under which corporations, foreign and domestic, can sell to persons in Florida stock and other securities; to place such investment companies under the jurisdiction of the Comptroller and Attorney General, and to prescribe for the Comptroller and Attorney General certain duties and powers; to provide for the services of process thereon; to provide for the registration of agents selling securities of such investment companies, and to provide penalties for the violation of the terms of this Act, and for other purposes.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on House Bill No. 86, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 262:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4109 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5705 of the Acts of 1907, and by Chapter 5963 of the Acts of 1909, relating to labor of county convicts.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 262 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

An the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

ENROLLED.

The President, announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 30.)

An Act regulating the appearance of defendants in all suits brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida in Chancery, whether defendants are served personally or by publication, and providing for the entry of decrees pro confesso upon failure of the defendants to appear.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 245.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding unpaid warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, State of Florida, against Special Tax Road District No. 1, of Citrus County, on and prior to April 2d, A. D. 1917, providing for the reissuance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be charged, the levying of a tax to pay the same and the fund against which the same is to be charged.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 299.)

"An Act providing for the protection of the roads and public highways of Seminole County, and prescribing the manner and mode of use of said highways by automobiles motor trucks and other vehicles, providing for the regulation and operation of said vehicles on said highways, and providing for a license tax to be paid for the operation of certain automobiles, motor trucks and vehicles using the roads and public highways of Seminole County and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions hereof."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 227.)

"An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of Florida, and Chapter 7241 Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, by amending sections 1 and 2 of said Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, and adding two

additional sections to said charter to be known as section 39 (c) and section 53 (b)."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 99.)

"An Act to amend section 2193 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to liens for materials furnished."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 55.)

"An Act to amend section 2919 of General Statutes of State of Florida as amended by Chapter 5895 of Acts of 1909, the same relating to the allowance of free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers."

The Acts were therefore 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 House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Hughlett moved that 100 copies each of Senate Bills Nos. 32 and 273 be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. McLeod moved that Senate Bill No. 321 be recalled from the Committee on Finance and Taxation and the said Bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rules and that Senate Bill No. 226 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 84 in positions on the Calendar.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote and so ordered.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fagarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

By permission, the following reports were received:

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 74:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee County, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and the government thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 74, contained in the above report, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 73:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to grant the water front, riparian rights and submerged lands, and lands reclaimed

or filled in, in front of the propert in the Town of Pass-a-Grille lying south of Miles street, and extended east on the east side of said town, and extended west on the west side of said town, to which the State may have any title or right of possession to the Town of Pass-a-Grille.

Have examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 73, with engrossed Senate amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 180:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring all insurance companies to have re-insurance agreements approved by State Treasurer.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 180, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 78:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the issuing by any one of checks or orders upon banks or other persons, when the makers of such orders or checks have not sufficient funds on deposit with the drawee to pay such order, to prescribe a rule of evidence therein, and to provide punishment therefor."

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed:

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 78, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 179-A:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require insurance companies to procure licenses for their agents, and regulating the issuing and cancelling of same and providing a penalty for the violation of any provision of this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 179-A, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By permission, the following Bills were introduced:

By Mr. Gornto—

Senate Bill No. 417:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit monopolies

and combinations in the sale of food stuffs and other commodities in general use, and to prohibit the raising and lowering of prices thereof, without just cause.

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

By Mr. Gornto—

Senate Bill No. 418:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit discrimination, in selling, against retail merchants in the State of Florida by persons, firms, corporations or brokers selling at wholesale.

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

By Mr. Gornto—

Senate Bill No. 419:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 6970, Acts of 1915, of the Laws of Florida, relating to fraternal benefit insurance.

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

By Mr. Gornto—

Senate Bill No. 420:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide an easement for persons, vehicles and stock occupying or used upon certain lands which are shut off or hemmed in from the nearest practicable public or private road.

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

By Mr. Wilson—

Senate Bill No. 421:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring the recording of marks and brands of hides of cattle or other domestic animals before shipment, and prohibiting railroads or other common carriers from receiving such hides for shipment without such inspection.

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

By Mr. Wilson—

Senate Bill No. 422:

A Bill to be entitled An Act declaring void all tax certificates obtained by erroneous tax sales since 1890.

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

Mr. Hughlett moved to waive the rules and to refer Senate Bill No. 74 when reported from the Engrossing Committee shall be immediately referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules, and that the Senate now take up for consideration, Senate Bill No. 266, just reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 266:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public highways and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix the amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same on State and State Aid roads and bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled: "An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida," and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled: "An Act to amend Chapter 6212 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, same being entitled 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor driven vehicles using the public roads or highways of the State of Florida, either for hire or otherwise.'"

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 266 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Roland, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—17.

Nays—Senators Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Gornto, Greene, King, McEachern, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Sheppard, Turner—13.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 257:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 14 of Chapter 6878 of the Laws of Florida, being "An Act to appoint Naval Stores Inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation 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, approved June 5, 1915."

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 257, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill 181:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 29 of Chapter 6970, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the regulation, supervision and control of fraternal benefit societies in this State.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 181, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 142:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the liability of persons, companies, corporations, co-partnerships, as-

sociations and others; executing life, fire, accident and casualty or other insurance contracts.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 142, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 187:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend section 2780 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida and 2782 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6845 of the Acts of 1915, relating to surety companies, their supervision and authority to transact business in this State.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 187, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 184:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide a penalty for failure or refusal to testify relative to the business of any insurance company, when so requested by State Treasurer.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 184 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King,

Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By permission, Mr. Wilson withdrew Senate Bill No. 284 from the Calendar.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate do now take up and consider Senate Bill No. 154.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Calkins moved that Senate Bill No. 154 be substituted by House Bill No. 341 and the same be considered in lieu of Senate Bill No. 154.

Which was agreed to.

And—

House Bill No. 341:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of Circuit Court in and for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

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

Mr. Calkins offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 341:

After Section 3 add the following:

Sec. 4. That if the County of Flagler is created under the provisions of the Act of the present session, approved by the Governor on the 28th day of April, 1917, the fall term of said Fourth Judicial Circuit Court shall commence in the County of Flagler on the first Monday in October, and the spring term of said Court shall commence in said County on the last Monday in March.

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Calkins, of District No. 16, offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 341:

In Section 4, line 1, strike out the word and figure "Section 4," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 5."

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

Mr. Calkins, of District No. 16, offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 341:

Strike out all of Section 5.

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 341, as amended, be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 341 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—Mr. Andrews—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Calkins moved to lay Senate Bill No. 154 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 185:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the sale of the stock insurance companies in this State, forbidding the payment of commissions to officers of such companies for the sale of stock, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 185, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 186:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 5459, General Statutes of Florida, being "An Act to define sick and funeral benefit insurance limit, the amount of risks to be taken, and to prescribe the terms on which sick and funeral benefit companies or corporations may engage in the business of sick and funeral benefit insurance in this State; to provide penalties for violation, and to repeal Chapter 5222, Acts of 1903, Laws of Florida."

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 186 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rule and that the Senate do now proceed to take up and consider messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

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. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 410, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 410 be read a second time in full.

Mr. Wells moved as a substitute to the motion of Mr. Turner that House Bill No. 410 retain its position on the Calendar, and that its consideration be made a special order for 4 o'clock P. M. Monday, May 7, 1917.

The question was put upon the substitute motion and it was agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved that 200 copies of the Bill be printed. Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

Mr. Hughlett moved that Senate Bill No. — be enrolled.

Which was agreed to.

BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

Senate Bills Nos. 236, 84 and 172 were taken up in their respective order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 98:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering and directing the State Board of Health to furnish hog cholera serum and to assist in every way in the suppression of hog cholera, and providing a penalty for violation of this Act.

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

Mr. Wells moved that Senate Bill No. 98 retain its place on the Calendar and the further consideration of the Bill be temporarily passed over.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate do reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 233 was indefinitely postponed.

Which motion was laid over under the rule.

Senate Bill No. 40:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the burning or burying of hogs, cattle, horses or other animals dying from contagious or infectious diseases and from common causes.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 40 was, under the rule, placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 71:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish a State Board of Embalming; to provide for the better protection of life and health; to prevent the spread of contagious diseases, and to regulate the practice of embalming, and the care and disposition of the dead.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 71 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Fogarty offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 71:

After title of Bill add: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida."

Mr. Fogarty moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 71, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Oliver moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Friday, May 4, 1917.

Friday, May 4, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oli-