

Monday, May 14, 1917.

MONDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

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

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—  
House Bill No. 447:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the certification and examination of teachers; prescribing the requirements for the different teachers' certificates; creating a State Board of Examiners, prescribing their duties and providing for their compensation and expenses.

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

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,  
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 447, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 495:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 558 of Chapter 1 of Title 6, 1st Division of the General Statutes of Florida, which section relates to advertising and selling real estate, for unpaid taxes and the compensation of the tax collector.

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

Very respectfully,

JNO. B. JONES,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 495, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rules.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

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 appro-

priations 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.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 14, contained in above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 399:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to enable the Town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to purchase or to erect and build a pier or dock extending into the Atlantic Ocean, a distance of not more than fifteen hundred (1,500) feet, and to maintain, operate or lease the same either as a toll or free pier or dock, as the Town Council may deem best, and to authorize the Town of Daytona Beach, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for said purpose.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 399, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. MacWilliams—  
Senate Bill No. 510:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating a sub-drainage

district located in St. Johns county, to be known and designated as Bimini Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers and making applicable to said district the provisions of Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, and the statutes amendatory thereof, naming the members of the Board of Supervisors of said district, authorizing the imposition upon the lands and property in said district the taxes, assessments or charges that may be imposed under the provisions of said statute, and conferring upon the district and the officers and employees thereof all rights, powers and privileges that are exercised by such districts and their officers and employees created and organized under the provisions of said statute.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Mac Williams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 510 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 510 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 510 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. 510 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, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Hughlett—  
Senate Bill No. 511:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish the municipality of the town of Aurantia under the Commission system of municipal government and to prescribe its juris-

diction and powers; and granting equal political rights to men and women in the town elections and affairs.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 511 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 511 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 511 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. 511 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—26.

Nays—Mr. President, Senator Igou—2.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Roland—

Senate Bill No. 512:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 6249, Acts of 1911, approved May 19, 1911, being: "An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, to issue interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of constructing and building certain designated hard-surface roads within said county."

Which was read the first time by its title and placed upon the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

#### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14:

Relating to establishment of memorial park and monument at or near the town of Bushnell, Florida.

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Terrell moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14 be substituted by House Concurrent Resolution No. 20.

Which was agreed to.

And—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

A Concurrent Resolution relating to the establishment of a memorial park and monument at or near the town of Bushnell, Florida.

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

The question was put upon its adoption, and the Resolution was agreed to.

The action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Memorial No. 3:

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to place into effect the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors during the existence of the present state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government.

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

The question was put upon its adoption and the Memorial was agreed to.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 164 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 267 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 425 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

#### BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 480:

A Joint Resolution proposing to revoke, annul and repeal Section 6 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State, relative to a special tax of one mill on the dollar for public school purposes.

Was taken up and read the third time in full, as follows:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 480:  
Joint Resolution Proposing to Revoke, Annul and Repeal Section 6 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State Relative to a Special Tax of One Mill on the Dollar for Public School Purposes.

*Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:*

That the following proposal to revoke, annul and repeal Section 6 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State, the same providing for the levy of a special tax of one mill on the dollar upon all taxable property in the State for public school purposes, is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the State at the General Election in 1918 for ratification or rejection.

That Section 6 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State, the same providing that a special tax of one mill on the dollar of all taxable property in the State, in addition to the other means provided, shall be levied and apportioned annually for the support and maintenance of public free schools, be and the same is hereby revoked, annulled and repealed.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 480 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Farris, Gornto, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Turner, Wilson—13.

Nays—Senators Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Greene, Mathis, McEachern, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Wells, Willis—15.

So the Joint Resolution failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 89:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of George Lewis, Trustee for the estates of B. C. Lewis, William Bailey, John McDougall and P. B. Brokaw.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 89 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Turner, Wells, Wilson—19.

Nays—Senators Andrews, Gornto, Greene, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Willis—9.

The President ruled that the Bill had failed to pass.

A question having arisen as to the ruling of the President.

Mr. Wells moved that a Special Committee of three lawyers be appointed to investigate the question if this Bill comes under the Constitutional provision of a two-thirds vote of all the members of the Senate.

The Committee appointed by the chair to investigate and report to the Senate on the constitutional question as to number of votes necessary to pass Senate Bill No. 89, same being a claim appropriation, viz: W. A. MacWilliams, Chas. E. Davis, James E. Calkins.

Senate Bill No. 492:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and place Senate Bill No. 492 back upon the second reading for the purpose of amending the same.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 492 was put back on the second reading.

And, by consent, Senate Bill No. 492 was taken up on its second reading for amendment.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 492:

Strike out Section 4 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 4. That all able-bodied negro male prisoners not needed by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions for work at the State Prison Farm shall be leased by said Board; provided, a satisfactory price can be obtained. All excess prisoners may be let to counties, or placed upon the State roads. No prisoners leased shall be sub-leased.

Mr. Gornto moved the adoption of the amendment.

Pending the consideration of which, amendment—

Mr. Davis moved that the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 492, with the amendment offered by Mr. Gornto,

be passed over temporarily, that the same be placed as a continued order of the day and that 200 copies of the Bill and pending amendment be printed.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

Senate Bill No. 240 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over

#### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 484:

Joint Resolution proposing amendment to Section 8 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State, relative to the annual tax for the support of free public schools.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Joint Resolution No. 484 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 261 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 98 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 229:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2496 of the General Statutes of Florida (1906); and to provide for the recordation of chattel mortgages.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 229 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 228:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to determine the time of the performance and the time to execute a right of option under any contract, agreement or bond when by the terms of the instrument the last day of performance or last day to exercise the option falls on Sunday or a legal holiday.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 228 was, under the rules, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 46:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6832, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act requiring the teaching of the Evils of Alcoholic Beverages and Narcotics to Children in the Primary Grades of the Public Schools.

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

The following amendment of the Committee was read, as follows:

Strike out all of Section 4 and make Section 5 Section 4 and Section 6 read Section 5.

Mr. McEachern moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 46, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engroseed Bills.

The following Message from the Governor was received:

Executive Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

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

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Act which originated in your Honorable Body, and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 251.)

An Act to authorize and direct the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to sell the steamer Roamer.

Respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,  
Governor of Florida.

Also the following:

Executive Chamber,  
Tallahassee, May 11, 1917.

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

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable Body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 389.)

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1916.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 393.)

An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to use the balance of any fund derived from the sale of bonds for street improvements.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 374.)

An Act to validate a certain contract for purchase of a poor farm, entered into on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County of Osceola and the County Commissioners of Osceola County, and all the acts and instruments taken and made in connection therewith.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 357.)

An Act relating to the pay of road bond trustees and other road expenses under bond issue of July 25th, 1916, or other bond issues hereafter had for road building in Taylor County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 413.)

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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 392.)

An Act to authorize the County of Leon to use and expend any portion of the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated for the construction of the Dixie Highway that may remain unexpended after completion of said highway.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 403.)

An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, and to authorize them to expend the \$4,800.00 appropriated and set aside in the Budget of 1916-17 for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia County, Florida.

Respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,  
Governor of Florida.

Also the following:

Executive Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your honorable body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 28.)

An Act prohibiting the issuing of writs of garnishment in any action sounding of tort.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 249-A.)

An Act to create, establish and incorporate a drainage and reclamation district to be known and designated as the Port Tampa Drainage District and define its boundaries defining its purposes, powers, authorities, liabilities and privileges; to create a Board of Supervisors for said district, and to provide and prescribe its functions, powers, duties, authorities, liabilities and limitations; to authorize and provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, canals, drains, dikes, reservoirs, sea-walls, levees, fills and other works for the drainage, reclamation, filling in and otherwise improving and benefiting the lands embraced in said district; to provide for the levying and assessing of taxes upon the lands embraced in said district, and for the enforcement of the collection thereof; to authorize the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same to procure money to carry out the pro-

visions of this Act; to preserve and protect the works and improvements constructed in said district hereunder, and to prescribe penalties for the violations of the provisions of this Act.

Respectfully,  
SIDNEY J. CATTS,  
Governor of Florida.

Also the following:

Executive Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable Body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 132.)

An Act to amend Section 1762 of the General Statutes of Florida, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court to furnish the Attorney General copies of head notes, opinions, statements of cases made by the Justices and briefs of opposing counsel, together with certified copies of, or extracts from any other paper or records appertaining to any case decided by the courts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 63.)

An Act making it unlawful for any person or persons to interfere with recruiting in the Army or Navy of the United States or America, or in the National Guard or Active Militia of the State of Florida, and prescribing penalties therefor.

Respectfully,  
SIDNEY J. CATTS,  
Governor of Florida.

Senate Bill No. 32:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the right to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Florida; and providing for a State Medical Board; and means and method whereby the right to practice medicine and surgery and any of its branches may be obtained, and exemptions therefrom; and providing for the revocation

and suspension of licenses by said Board; and providing penalties and violations; and repealing all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent therewith.

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

The following amendment of the Committee was read, as follows:

Committee Amendment—

Section 11. The said Board shall have full power and authority, when sitting in regular or special session as a Board, to revoke and annul or to suspend the operations of any certificate of license to practice medicine and surgery in this State, upon full and satisfactory proof being made to the said Board at a hearing to be held after the holder of such certificate of license has had at least ten days' prior notice in writing from the Board setting forth particularly the grounds of the complaint against him or her, the time and place when the same will be heard, and the name of the person complaining. Such hearing shall not be held except upon complaint in writing sworn to before some officer authorized to administer oaths in this State, setting forth that the persons whose certificate of license is sought to be revoked and annulled or suspended, has, since the date on which this Act shall become a law and within two years last past before making such complaint.

(a) Been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor, involving moral turpitude, in the courts of a State of the United States, or the courts of the United States, or its territories, or the courts of some foreign country. A duly certified copy of the record and judgment of any such conviction, when presented to, and filed with, the Board at the hearing, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the regularity and finality of the conviction it purports to recite. If such conviction is had in any of the courts of the State of Florida, the rendition and filing of such judgment of conviction shall automatically and at once, of itself, revoke and annul the certificate of license held by such person so convicted and his or her authority to practice medicine and surgery, or as a Drugless Healer, within this State.

(b) Or that he or she has been guilty of habitual intemperance, or of gross and flagrant immorality, or of habitually using intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs to an extent unfitting such person, or making it danger-

ous for such person to practice medicine and surgery or as a drugless healer, in the opinion of two-thirds of the Board.

(c) Or that such person has knowingly and wilfully, with the intention to obstruct or pervert the ordinary course of nature in such cases, for a purpose other than a bona fide object of preserving human life, counselled, suggested, or caused, or assisted in causing, by any method, means or in any manner whatsoever, an abortion upon any female person.

(d) Or that any such person has been guilty of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct in the practicing of his or her profession according to the generally accepted standards of ethics of such profession in this State, either guaranteeing to cure, or guaranteeing his or her ability to cure, any generally recognized incurable disease, or diseased condition, or by publishing, making or circulating printed or written matter, as an advertisement, containing false statements of guarantees of such person's skill, ability or competency to successfully diagnose, treat, relieve, correct or cure any human disease, diseased condition, defect, infirmity, injury or derangement, whether mental or physical.

(e) Or that any such person has been guilty of any fraudulent conduct in making his or her application for examination, or for license, or in obtaining his or her license, or has furnished said Board with any spurious, untrue or forged certificate, diploma, affidavit or affirmation as to his or her character, or preliminary or medical education, or medical experience.

(f) Or that any such person has, after this Act becomes effective, been practicing medicine or surgery, or holding himself or herself out as qualified to practice the same, under an assumed name, or under any name other than the true name of such person.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 3, strike out lines 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, commencing with word "four," in line 9, down to and including the word "year" on line 13, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "One member from the school known as Regular; one member from Homeopathic school; one member from Eclectic school; one member from Osteo-

pathy school; one member from Chiropractic school, who shall be appointed for four (4) years."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 1, line 7, printed Bill, strike out the words "or to diagnose."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 1 add: "Provided, that this section shall not apply in cases of emergency or to household remedies."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 8, lines 8 and 9, printed Bill, strike out the words "or without compensation."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 8, line 11 (printed bill), strike out the words "or without compensation."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 9, line 6, before the word "to" insert the following: "chiropractic, natureopathy or."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 3, line 10, strike out the words "four (4)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "three (3)."

Mr. Moore moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 3, line 12, strike out the words "one (1)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "two (2)."

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

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 5, strike out lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 32:

In Section 10, line 3, strike out the words "twenty-five" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "fifteen."

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 32, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of House Messages.

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 14, 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. 58:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6966 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 4, 1915, entitled, "An Act providing for the distribution of the funds received from the forest reserves in this State, in accordance with An Act of Congress, approved May 23, 1908, appropriating twenty-five per cent of the re-

ceipts from the National Forest Reserves in this State for the benefit of the schools and roads in the counties in which said reserves are situated."

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bill No. 58, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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, with amendments—

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.

House Amendment to Senate Bill No. 78:

In Section 11, line 2, strike out the word "suppletary" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "supplementary."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And the House Amendment to Senate Bill No. 78, contained in the above message, was read.

Mr. Carlton moved that the Senate do concur in the House of Representatives Amendment as contained in the message.

Which was agreed to.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 499:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the enrolling by typewriting machines of bills and joint resolutions passed by the Legislature.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 461:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to catch fish in certain fresh water lakes of Osceola County.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 490:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Gary, County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, and to organize, incorporate and establish a city government for the same; and to prescribe the jurisdictions, powers and functions of said municipality.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 437:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Town of DeFuniak Springs to issue interest-bearing warrants in the sum of three thousand dollars to take up outstanding indebtedness, and six thousand dollars for the purchase of fire fighting equipment.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 499, 461, 490 and 437, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their titles 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 14, 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 indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 489:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the town government of the Town of Crystal River, Florida, and granting certain charter powers to said municipality relative to the assessment and collection of taxes, validating assessment rolls, validating former acts of town officials, providing for the town government and abolishing certain offices and creating the office of Town Manager, and providing the manner in which street tax may be levied.

Very respectfully,

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 476:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide free school books for the children attending the public schools of Clay County, Florida, and to authorize the County Board

of Public Instruction to furnish school books to the children attending the public schools of Clay County.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 471:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend the charter of the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, by extending the territorial boundaries of said town, and to provide penalties for the carrying of concealed weapons and the selling of spirituous liquors or malts within the corporate limits thereof.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 501:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to levy a special tax for creating a publicity and advertising fund for said city, and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 476, 471 and 501, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their titles 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 14, 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, with House amendments—

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 amounts

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 of 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.'"

House amendments to Senate Bill No. 266:

(1) In Section 6, lines 25, 28 and 30 of printed Bill, strike out the words "one thousand (1,000)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "five hundred (500)."

(2) Substitute the following for Senate amendment to Section 6, lines 13, 14 and 15, page 6, of the printed Bill:

Series E—Automobiles of more than 60 h. p. \$25.00.

All automobiles included in Series B, Series C, Series D and Series E, having a seating capacity of eight or more persons shall pay in addition to the licenses above specified \$2.00 per person of the entire seating capacity.

(3) After line 23, Section 6, add:

"This shall not apply to motor trucks operated by County Commissioners on county roads for constructing or repairing roads, and owned by the county or road district and used by them exclusively in such work."

(4) In Section 6, line 15, add to Series E:

"All autos and motor busses included in Series B, Series C, Series D and Series E, having a seating capacity of eight or more persons, owned or operated for hire by non-residents, shall pay a license of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). Such license must be paid before operation begins."

(5) In Section 6, line 12, strike out the words: "\$20.00" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "\$15.00."

(6) In Section 6, line 22, strike out the figures "50" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "25."

(7) At the end of Section 6 add the following:

"Provided, that the provisions of this section shall not interfere with "Series B" of this section." (Printed Bill.)

(8) In Section 6, lines 7 and 8, strike out the words: "Automobiles of not more than 25 h.p., \$7.00," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "For any automobile and other motor-driven vehicle with a seating capacity of one and not more than five persons, five dollars."

(9) In Section 16, line 11, strike out the words: "and one on the rear of such vehicle, such rear light to give red rays to shine upon and illuminate the number plate carried on the rear of such vehicle, so that the said number will be clearly visible at a distance of one hundred feet."

(10) Substitute the following for Section 28, as amended:

"Section 28. The provisions of this Act shall become operative on the first day of January, 1918; provided, that the Tax Collectors of the various counties of the State are hereby authorized and instructed to collect, in the usual manner, on the first day of October, 1917, twenty-five per cent of the present annual automobile license, as provided by law, for the term of the three months beginning October 1st and ending December 31st, but no additional license tax shall be issued for that period."

(11) In Section 26, line 4, after the word "jail" insert, "not to exceed six months."

(12) In Section 8, line 5, strike out all after the word "vehicle."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 266, contained in the above message, were read.

Mr. Middleton moved that the Senate do not concur in the House of Representatives' amendments contained in the above message and read to the Senate.

Which motion was agreed to, and the Senate refused to concur in the said amendments offered by the House of Representatives to Senate Bill No. 266:

Mr. Middleton moved that the Bill and amendments be returned to the House of Representatives and that they be requested to recede from said amendments, or, failing to accede to this request of the Senate, that a committee of conference be appointed to adjust the differences.

Which was agreed to; and the President named the following Senators as a committee on the part of the Senate should a conference be necessary, to-wit: Messrs. Middleton, MacWilliams and Igou.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 203:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale, service or dispensing of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer by clubs or other associations of persons whether incorporated or not incorporated.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 203, 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 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

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. 418:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1449 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 418, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 417:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the adoption of a Uniform Affidavit of Publication of Legal Notices.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 417, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 418:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1449 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to Libel and Slander.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 418, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 434:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2, 3, 13, 14, 18 and 20, of Chapter 6178, Acts of 1911, being "An Act to create a State School Book Commission, and to procure for the use in the public schools of the State of Florida a uniform series of text books, and to define the duties and powers of said Commission, to make preparations for carrying this Act into effect, and providing penalties for 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. 434, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading, the rules being waived.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 640:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the impounding and sale of certain domestic animals in the City of DeFuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 640, 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 14, 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. 167:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful for manufacturers of fertilizers in this State to discriminate against farmers and other users of such fertilizers in this State in the prices charged for such fertilizers, and providing a penalty for the violation 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. 167, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 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. 649:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, to expend all road and bridge funds raised in said County of Marion under the provisions of Section 850 of the General Statutes of Florida in the manner they deem fit and advisable.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 649, 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.

By permission the following reports were received:  
Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 347.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 6413 of the Laws of Florida, and to abolish the Town of Winter Haven, in Polk County, Florida; to establish a municipality in Polk County, Florida, under the name of the Town of Winter Haven, and to provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to grant to said municipality certain powers and privileges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 463.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Pasco 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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 445.)

An Act for the protection of Ruffled Grouse (pheasant), Mongolian, Chinese or English Pheasant, and providing open and closed seasons for hunting the same in Manatee County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 358.)

An Act relating to the pay of road supervising and constructing engineer of Taylor County, Florida, for supervising the building of roads in pursuance of the

bond election held July 25, 1916, and any other bond issue for the building of roads in said county, and refund amounts already paid.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 328.)

An Act to ratify and validate certain past indebtedness of Alachua County, Florida and to ratify and validate certain indebtedness now existing against said county.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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Sir:

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Also—

(Senate Bill No. 463.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness

of Pasco 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.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 376.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, to apply taxes heretofore collected as interest on bond issue of 1916 for Special Road and Bridge District No. 4, and retiring existing county warrants known as 1912 issue, said bonds having failed of validation.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 29.)

An Act providing for the dissolution of writs of garnishment and regulating the procedure thereon.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 9.)

An Act relating to warehousemen and warehouse receipts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 394.)

An Act conferring upon the City of St. Cloud, Florida, the right to abandon certain streets and to issue deeds to such abandoned streets.

Also—

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13.)

Relative to having New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, made a port of entry.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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

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(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13.)

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

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 17.)

Relative to appropriations for the ensuing two years.

Also—

(House Bill No. 497.)

"An Act to amend Sections 3 and 10 of Chapter 5985, Acts of 1909, Laws of Florida, the same being An Act relating to road work in Gadsden County."

Also—

(House Bill No. 229.)

"An Act to amend Section 46, Chapter 6458, Acts of the Legislature, 1913, being 'An Act relating to the creation, organization and maintenance of drainage districts for the purpose of reclaiming and protecting swamp, wet or overflowed lands, or lands subject to overflow from the effects of water, for sanitary or agricultural purposes, or when the same may be conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare or of public utility or benefit, by drainage or otherwise; to define the privileges, powers, duties and liabilities of such drainage districts, the officers and agents thereof; to provide for the levying of taxes upon the property in said drainage districts; authorizing the issuance of bonds by such drainage districts; and giving to said drainage districts full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes.'"

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

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Senate Chamber,  
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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 signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

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

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Memorial No. 2.)

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States to be presented by and through the Congressional delegation from the State of Florida at Washington, D. C., requesting that the reservation known as the Choctawhatchee Reservation in West Florida, be withdrawn, and that the land therein be restored to homestead entry and that all citizens be allowed to make homestead entry thereon in compliance with the laws of the United States.

Also—

(House Bill No. 574.)

An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to fish in the fresh water lakes, rivers and streams in the County of Okaloosa.

Also—

(House Bill No. 653.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, to use the surplus remaining from the proceeds of the sale of any special road and bridge district bond issue in said county for the purpose of widening or extending such roads and for other purposes pertaining thereto.

Also—

(House Bill No. 605.)

An Act to prohibit the taking of mussels from the fresh water lakes and streams of Calhoun County, Florida, and making the violation of this Act a misdemeanor.

Also—

(House Bill No. 567.)

An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to catch fish in the fresh water lakes, ponds or rivers in the County of Leon.

Also—

(House Bill No. 519.)

An Act to provide for the size of bar and mesh and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Santa Rosa County, Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 518.)

An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh and length of seines fished or used in the salt waters of Calhoun County, Florida, providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
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Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

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

Senate Chamber,  
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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 signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTON,  
Chairman of Committee.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 226:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting to Courts in Chancery in this State jurisdiction to enjoin and suppress all nuisances which tend to annoy the community, or injure the health of the citizens in general, or to corrupt public morals, or is manifestly injurious to the public health, safety and morals of the community; to enjoin and suppress all nuisances mentioned in Section 3680 of the General Statutes of Florida, and all places frequented by persons described in and mentioned in Section 3570 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5720 of the Acts of 1907, Laws of Florida, and to enjoin all places, houses, tents, booths, in which the laws of the State of Florida are violated, and all houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution and places where games of chance are engaged in in violation of law, and declaring all such places to be nuisances; to enjoin the person or persons who conduct or maintain the same, and the owner and agent of any building used for such purpose and to provide for the payment of costs of such proceedings and declaring a lien for such costs.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 226, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 57:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, to regulate and control the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry in this State, and to provide penalties for violations thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

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

And Senate Bill No. 57, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 14, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 482:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section sixty (60) of Chapter 6421, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act imposing license and other taxes; providing for doing business without a license, or other failure to comply with the provisions thereof." Approved June 5, 1913.

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

Very respectfully,  
JNO. B. JONES,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 482, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—  
(Senate Bill No. 347.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 6413 of the Laws of Florida, and to abolish the Town of Winter Haven, in Polk

County, Florida; to establish a municipality in Polk County, Florida, under the name of the Town of Winter Haven, and to provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to grant to said municipality certain powers and privileges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 463.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Pasco 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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 445.)

An Act for the protection of ruffed grouse (pheasant), Mongolian, Chinese or English pheasant, and providing open and closed seasons for hunting the same in Manatee County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 358.)

An Act relating to the pay of road supervisors and constructing engineer of Taylor County, Florida, for supervising the building of roads in pursuance of the bond election held July 25, 1916, and any other bond issue for the building of roads in said county, and refund amounts already paid.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 328.)

An Act to ratify and validate certain past indebtedness of Alachua County, Florida, and to ratify and validate certain indebtedness now existing against said county.

Also—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 17.)

Relative to appropriations for the ensuing two years.

Also—

(House Bill No. 497.)

An Act to amend Sections 3 and 10 of Chapter 5985, Acts of 1909, Laws of Florida, the same being "An Act relating to road work in Gadsden County."

Also—

(House Bill No. 229.)

An Act to amend Section 46, Chapter 6458, Acts of the Legislature, 1913, being 'An Act relating to the creation, organization and maintenance of drainage districts for the purpose of reclaiming and protecting swamp, wet or overflowed lands, or lands subject to overflow from the effects of water, for sanitary or agricultural purposes, or when the same may be conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare or of public utility or benefit, by drainage or otherwise; to define the privileges, powers, duties and liabilities of such drainage districts, the officers and agents thereof; to provide for the levying of taxes upon the property in said drainage districts; authorizing the issuance of bonds by such drainage districts; and giving to said drainage districts full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes.'

Also—

(House Memorial No. 2.)

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States, to be presented by and through the Congressional delegation from the State of Florida, at Washington, D. C., requesting that the reservation known as the Choctawhatchee Reservation, in West Florida, be withdrawn and that the land therein be restored to homestead entry and that all citizens be allowed to make homestead entry thereon in compliance with the laws of the United States.

Also—

(House Bill No. 574.)

"An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to fish in the fresh water lakes, rivers and streams in the County of Okaloosa."

Also—

(House Bill No. 653.)

"An Act authorizing the Board of County Commission-

ers of Sumter County, Florida, to use the surplus remaining from the proceeds of the sale of any special road and bridge district bond issue in said county for the purpose of widening or extending such roads and for other purposes pertaining thereto."

Also—

(House Bill No. 605.)

"An Act to prohibit the taking of mussels from the fresh water lakes and streams of Calhoun County, Florida, and making the violation of this Act a misdemeanor."

Also—

(House Bill No. 567.)

"An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to catch fish in the fresh water lakes, ponds or rivers in the County of Leon."

Also—

(House Bill No. 519.)

"An Act to provide for the size of bar and mesh and length of seines used in the salt waters of Santa Rosa County, Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of same."

Also—

(House Bill No. 518.)

"An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Calhoun County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor."

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 Governor for his approval.

By permission, the following Bills were introduced:

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 513:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the State Tax Commission to equalize the assessed value of real and personal property in this State, and providing for carrying such equalization into effect.

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

By Mr. Eaton—

Senate Bill No. 514:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes due the Town of Fort Meade, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Carlton—

Senate Bill No. 515:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the sale, dispensing, use and distribution of habit-forming drugs, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of the same, and to repeal Chapter 6891, Acts of 1915.

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

By Mr. Wilson—

Senate Bill No. 516:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the municipalities of the City of Palmetto and the City of Bradentown to own, construct, operate and maintain jointly a free bridge across the Manatee river, providing for the issuance of bonds therefor, the regulation of traffic, the management and control thereof and power of sale.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Gornto—

Senate Bill No. 517:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette county, Florida, from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge District Fund of said Lafayette county, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, May 15, 1917.