

Tuesday, May 27, 1919

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock A. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 26 was corrected and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 208:

A bill to be entitled An Act to benefit commerce by the grant of certain rights to riparian owners.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 208, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rules.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 383:

A bill to be entitled An Act to grant certain rights to riparian owners.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 383, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rules.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 133:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing a method of obtaining final discharge and settlement by executors and administrators and for the giving of notice thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 133, contained in the above re-

port, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 439:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting certain lands in the St. Johns River to the City of Jacksonville.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 439, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Drainage, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Drainage, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 769:

A bill to be entitled An Act creating Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, to maintain and operate a Drainage and Highway District in this State and define its boundaries; to create a Board of Supervisors for said District, and to define its powers, authorizing the construction of hard-surfaced roadways and other roadways, canals, ditches, drains, dikes, reservoirs and other works for the reclamation, improvement, convenience and benefit of the lands embraced in said district and to levy assessments of taxes upon lands embraced in said district,

and to provide for the collection of the same, and the sale of lands to enforce the collection of such assessments, and to authorize the Board of Supervisors of this said District to borrow money, to issue bonds, notes, warrants and evidences of indebtedness and deposit of the same; to procure money, to carry out the provisions of this Act, and prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act and to provide penalty for the violation of such provisions.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass, with Committee amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, hereto attached.

The Committee on Drainage offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 769:

Amendment No. 1:

Strike out Page 2, being a part of Section 1 of House Bill No. 769, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Township Forty-three (43), South, Range Thirty-seven (37) East, thence West along the Township line between Townships Forty-two (42) and Forty-three (43) South, to the northwest corner of Section Nine (9) in Township Forty-three (43) South, Range Thirty-four (34) East;

Thence south along the west section line of Sections Nine (9), Sixteen (16) Twenty-one (21), Twenty-eight (28) and Thirty-three (33), in Township Forty-three (43) South, Range Thirty-four (34) East;

Thence continuing south along the west section line of Sections Four (4), Nine (9), Sixteen (16), Twenty-one (21), Twenty-eight (28) and Thirty-three (33), in Township Forty-four (44) South, Range Thirty-four (34) East;

Thence continuing south along the west line of Sections Four (4), Nine (9), Sixteen (16), Twenty-one (21), twenty-eight (28) and thirty-three (33) in Township forty-five (45) South, range thirty-four (34) East;

Thence continuing south along the west section line of Sections four (4), nine (9), sixteen (16), twenty-one (21), twenty-eight (28) and thirty-three (33), in Township forty-six (46) South, Range thirty-four (34) East;

Thence east along the Township line between Townships forty-six (46) South and forty-seven (47) South, to the southeast corner of Township forty-six (46) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East;

Thence north along the range line between ranges thirty-seven (37) and Thirty-eight (38) East to the center of Township Forty-five (45) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East;

Thence east along the center of said Township Forty-five (45) South, Range thirty-eight (38) East, to the intersection of the Hillsboro Canal;

Thence northwesterly along the center line of said Hillsboro Canal to the intersection of Hillsboro Canal with the range line dividing Ranges thirty-seven (37) and thirty-eight (38) East;

Thence north along said range line to the south line of Township forty-two (42) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East to the point of beginning.

Provided, that the lands within the above described district extending into Lake Okeechobee beyond the shore line of said lake and not described within the Everglades patent obtained from the United States, shall be and are hereby excluded from the above description and the operation of this Act.

The land descriptions under this Act, the boundaries of the District and the boundaries of Units Numbers One, Two and Three herein specified are in accordance with the official map of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund adopted and approved January 2nd, A. D. 1905, and official maps of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida amendatory thereto.

The Committee on Drainage offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 769:

Amendment No. 2:

Amend said bill by striking the two Sections Numbered 5, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 5. The lands within said District held by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund shall be subject to the taxes hereby imposed, and said Trustees, in furtherance of the trust upon which said lands are held, are hereby authorized and empowered to pay the same out of any funds in their possession derived from the sale of lands.

That the proceedings under the provisions of this Act shall be subject to the consideration and approval of the Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District, and the Chief Engineer of the Board of Commis-

sioners of the Everglades Drainage District, and the Board of Supervisors herein created shall consult the Chief Drainage Engineer concerning all matters pertaining to the drainage and reclamation and roadway construction operations under the provisions of this Act, and in accordance with the general laws of the State of Florida, relating to the co-operation between the officers of the sub-drainage districts and the Board of Commissioners of the Everglades Drainage District of Florida.

That for the purpose of constructing, completing and maintaining the works of drainage and reclamation, highway construction, road construction and other public works herein provided and hereby authorized for the improvement, benefit, maintenance and protection of the lands in said district, annual assessments of taxes shall be, and are hereby, levied and imposed upon all the lands and each and every acre thereof situated within said District as follows, to-wit:

That upon the following described lands in said District, all being in Townships south of the Tallahassee parallel and in Ranges east of the Tallahassee meridian, in the State of Florida, to-wit:

In Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-five (35):

Fractional Sections nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-eight (28), all of Sections twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33); fractional Section thirty-four (34);

Also—

Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-six (36):

Fractional Sections twelve (12), thirteen (13), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), thirty-one (31) and thirty-six (36);

Also—

Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-seven (37):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36);

Township forty-five (45); Range thirty-four (34):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-six (46); Range thirty-seven (37):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-six (46); Range thirty-six (36):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-six (46); Range thirty-five (35):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-six (46); Range thirty-four (34):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-eight (38):

That part of Section three (3) west of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Sections four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8) and nine (9) and ten (10); that part of Section eleven (11) west of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section fourteen (14) west of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Sections fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17) and eighteen (18);

Also—

Township forty-four (44), Range thirty-eight (38):

That part of Section eighteen (18) west of the Hillsboro Canal; all Section nineteen (19); that part of Section twenty (20) west of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Sections twenty-eight (28) and twenty-nine (29) west of the Hillsborougs Canal; all of Sections thirty (30), thirty-one (31) and thirty-two (32); all that part of Sections thirty-three (33) and thirty-four (34) west of the Hillsboro Canal;

Also the following lands appearing on a map of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund amendatory to the map approved January 2nd, A. D. 1905, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) five (5) and six (6), between Townships forty-three (43) and forty-four (44) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East;

Lots one (1), two (2), three (3) four (4) five (5), six (6), Township forty-four (44) South, between Ranges thirty-six and thirty-seven (37) East;

Lots One (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5) and six (6), Township forty-five (45) South, between Ranges thirty-six (36) and thirty-seven (37) East;

Lots one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5) and six (6), Township forty-six (46) South, between Ranges thirty-six (36) and thirty-seven (37) East;

Biatus between Townships forty-five (45) and forty-

six (46) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East, for the purposes of this Act described and designated as Lot "A," between Townships forty-five (45) and forty-six (46) South, Range thirty-seven (37) East, a tax of Ten (10c) Cents per acre is hereby levied annually, including the year A. D. 1919, and annually thereafter.

The Committee on Drainage offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 769:

Amendment No. 3:

Amend said Act by adding a new section at the end of Section 5, to be known as Section 5-A, to read as follows:

Section 5-A. That for the purpose of constructing the canals, roadways, dikes, reservoirs, ditches and other improvements under the provisions of this Act, a Unit System has been defined and prepared by the Chief Drainage Engineer of the Everglades Drainage District, which is hereby created and identified as Unit Number 1 under the provisions of this Act; and for the further purpose of constructing and maintaining the canals and roadways contemplated under the provisions of this Act and the works of drainage and reclamation and improvement hereby authorized, said Unit Number 1 is hereby created for the benefit and improvement and protection of the lands in said Unit Number 1 within the boundaries of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District. The Chief Drainage Engineer of the Everglades Drainage District having examined into the necessities and requirements relating to the benefits, improvements and protection of the lands within said Unit Number 1 in said District, and having ascertained that an amount equal to approximately five and 10/100 (\$5.10) dollars per acre would be required to accomplish the purposes contemplated by this Act, and that the benefits accruing to each acre of land lying and being situate within said Unit Number 1 of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District would be equal to and greater than the estimate of five and 10/100 (\$5.10) dollars per acre, which is hereby assessed against each acre of land in said District as the benefits accruing and to accrue under the provisions of this Act as is herein provided. That annual assessments of taxes shall be, and are hereby, levied and imposed upon all the land within said Unit Number 1

of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, as follows, to-wit:

That upon the following described lands in said Unit Number 1, being all of said lands within said Unit of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, and being in Townships south of the Tallahassee parallel and in Ranges east of the Tallahassee meridian, in the State of Florida, to-wit:

Unit Number 1:

Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-six (36):

That part of Section twenty-five (25) South of the Hillsboro Canal, fractional Section thirty-one (31) and that part of Section thirty-six (36) South of the Hillsboro Canal.

Also—

Township forty-four, Range thirty-six:

Fractional Sections one (1), four (4), five (5), six (6); all Sections thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-four, Range thirty-five:

Fractional Section one (1); that part of fractional Section two (2), lying east of the Miami Canal; all that part of Section eleven (11), lying east of the Miami Canal; all of Sections twelve (12) thirteen (13); that part of Section fourteen (14) lying east of the Miami Canal; that part of Section fifteen (15) lying east of the Miami Canal; that part of Section twenty-two (22) lying east of the Miami Canal; all of Sections twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26); all that part of Section twenty-seven (27) lying east of the Miami Canal; all that part of Section thirty-four (34) lying east of the Miami Canal; all of Sections thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-five (35):

All of Sections one (1), two (2), three (3); that part of Section four (4) lying east of the Miami Canal; all

that part of Section nine (9) lying east of the Miami Canal; all Sections ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15); all that part of Section sixteen (16) lying east of the Miami Canal;

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-six (36):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), and eighteen (18);

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-seven (37):

Sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17) and eighteen (18);

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-eight (38):

That part of Section three (3), lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Sections four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10); all of Section eleven lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; all that part of Section thirteen (13), lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; all that part of Section fourteen (14) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; all Sections fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17) and eighteen (18);

Also—

Township forty-four (44); Range thirty-eight (38):

All of Sections eighteen (18) and nineteen (19); that part of Section twenty (20) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section twenty-eight (28) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section twenty-nine (29) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Section thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32); that part of Section thirty-three (33) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section thirty-four (34) lying west of the Hillsboro Canal.

Also—

Township forty-four (44); Range thirty-seven (37):

All that part of Section three (3) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; all that part of Section four (4) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Sections five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10); that part

of Section eleven (11) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section twelve (12) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section thirteen (13) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; all Sections fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36).

Also—

Township forty-three (43); Range thirty-seven (37):

That part of Section thirty-two (32) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section thirty-one (31) lying south of the Hillsboro Canal; also, that part of lots five (5) and six (6), between Townships forty-four (44) and forty-three (43), Range thirty-seven (37), south of Hillsboro Canal; also lots one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), and six (6), between Ranges thirty-six (36) and thirty-seven (37) in Township forty-four (44); lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), between Ranges thirty-six (36) and thirty-seven (37), in Township forty-five (45) South.

A tax of forty (40c) per acre in addition to the tax of ten (10c) cents per acre levied on the land within the entire district, is hereby levied annually, including the year A. D. 1919 and annually thereafter.

That upon the following described lands in said Unit Number 2, being all of said lands within said Unit of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, and being in Township South of the Tallahassee parallel and in Ranges East of the Tallahassee Meridian, in the State of Florida, to-wit:

Unit No. 2:

Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-five (35):

Fractional Section nineteen (19); fractional Section twenty (20); fractional Section twenty-eight (28); all of Sections twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33); fractional Section thirty-four (34);

Also—

Township forty-four (44), Range thirty-five (35):

Fractional Section two (2) west of the Miami Canal; all Sections three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven

(7), eight (8), nine (9) and ten (10); that part of Section eleven (11) lying west of the Miami Canal; that part of Section fourteen (14) lying west of the Miami Canal; that part of Section fifteen (15) lying west of the Miami Canal; all of Sections sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20) and twenty-one (21); that part of Section twenty-two (22) lying west of the Miami Canal; that part of Section twenty-seven (27) lying west of the Miami Canal; all of Sections twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33); that part of Section thirty-four (34) lying west of the Miami Canal;

Also—

Township forty-five (45), Range thirty-five (35):

That part of Section four (4) lying west of the Miami Canal; all of Sections five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8); that part of Section nine (9) lying west of the Miami Canal; that part of Section sixteen (16) lying west of the Miami Canal; all of Section seventeen, all of Section eighteen (18).

A tax of forty (40) cents per acre, in addition to the tax of ten (10c) cents per acre levied on the land within the entire District, is hereby levied annually, including the year A. D. 1920, and annually thereafter.

That upon the following described lands in said Unit Number 3, being all of said lands within said Unit of said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, and being in Townships South of the Tallahassee parallel in Ranges East of the Tallahassee Meridian, in the State of Florida, to-wit:

Unit Number 3:

Township forty-three (43) Range thirty-seven (37):

All of Sections one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4); fractional Section five (5), fractional Section seven (7); fractional Section eight (8); all of Sections nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29) and thirty (30); that part of Section thirty-one (31) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section thirty-two

(32) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; all of Sections thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36);

Also—

Township forty-four (44), Range thirty-seven (37):

All of Sections one (1) and two (2); that part of Section three (3) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section four (4) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section eleven (11) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; that part of Section twelve (12) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; also lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), and that part of lots four (4) and five (5) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal, between Townships forty-three (43) and forty-four (44) Range thirty-seven (37).

Also—

Township forty-three (43), Range thirty-six (36):

Fractional Section Twelve (12); Fractional Section Thirteen (13); Fractional Section Twenty-three (23); Fractional Section Twenty-four (24); Fractional Section Twenty-five, lying north of the Hillsboro Canal, and Fractional Section Thirty-six (36) lying north of the Hillsboro Canal; a tax of Forty (40c) cents per acre, in addition to the tax of Ten (10c) cents per acre levied on the land within the entire District, is hereby levied annually, including the year A. D. 1920 and annually thereafter.

That for the purposes of this Act all taxes levied hereunder, whether on the lands within the entire Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, the lands within Unit Number 1, Unit Number 2, or Unit Number 3, for the amounts levied and assessed as benefits, respectively, under the provisions of this Act, shall be considered, declared and construed to be a drainage tax under the provisions of this Act to be used for the purposes herein specified and authorized in the form and manner set forth herein; and the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector of each county within which said lands are situate shall assess in the manner and form herein provided and as is provided under the general laws of Florida relating to the powers and duties of Tax Assessors and the regulations and forms prescribed for carrying out the provisions of the law in the performance of the duties of Tax Assessors, and that the Tax Collector shall collect said taxes as is herein specified, including taxes assessed for benefits and im-

provements, in the same manner and form as is provided for herein, including sale for the non-payment of said taxes, and as is further provided for in the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes for State and county purposes in Florida.

The Committee on Drainage offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 769:

Amendment No. 4:

Strike all that portion of Section 28, after the words "time to time" in the second line on page 40, down to and including the words "being the point of beginning," said portion so stricken commencing on page 40 of said bill and ending on the next succeeding page, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

The first of said Units shall be described and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the junction of the Hillsboro Canal and the shore line of Lake Okeechobee, in Section Twenty-five (25), Township Forty-three (43) South, Range Thirty-six (36) East;

Thence in a westerly direction along the south shore line of Lake Okeechobee to the intersection of said shore line with the Miami Canal at Rita;

Thence southerly along the center of said Miami Canal to the south line of Section Sixteen (16), in Township Forty-five (45), South, Range Thirty-five (35) East;

Thence east along the Section line dividing Sections Sixteen (16) and Twenty-one (21), Fifteen (15) and Twenty-two (22), Fourteen (14) and Twenty-three (23), Thirteen (13) and Twenty-four (24), in Township Forty-five (45), South, Range Thirty-five (35) East, and the Section line between Sections Eighteen (18) and Nineteen (19), Seventeen (17) and Twenty (20), Sixteen (16) and Twenty-one (21), Fifteen (15) and Twenty-two (22), Fourteen (14) and Twenty-three (23), Thirteen (13) and Twenty-four (24), in Township Forty-five (45), South, Range Thirty-six (36) East; thence continuing east through the center of Township Forty-five (45) South, Range Thirty-seven (37) East, and Township Forty-five (45) South, Range Thirty-eight (38) East, to intersection with the Hillsboro Canal;

Thence along the center of Hillsboro Canal in a northwesterly direction to the shore line of Lake Okeechobee, being the point of beginning.

The second unit of said District shall be bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the Miami Canal with the south shore line of Lake Okeechobee, thence extending in a southerly direction along the center of said Miami Canal to the south line of Section sixteen (16), in Township forty-five (45) South, Range thirty-five (35) East;

Thence west along the Section line dividing Sections sixteen (16) and twenty-one (21), seventeen (17) and twenty (20), eighteen (18) and nineteen (19), in Township forty-five (45) South, Range thirty-five (35) East;

Thence north along the Range line dividing Ranges thirty-four (34) and thirty-five (35) East, to the south shore line of Lake Okeechobee;

Thence southeasterly along the said shore line, meandering the south shore of Lake Okeechobee to the center of the center of the Miami Canal in Section two (2), Township forty-four (44) South, Range thirty-five (35) East, being the point of beginning.

The third unit of said District shall be bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the south shore line of Lake Okeechobee at the junction of the Hillsboro Canal, extending in a southeasterly direction along the center line of said Hillsboro Canal to its junction with the Range line dividing Ranges thirty-seven (37) and thirty-eight (38);

Thence north along said Range line to the south Township line of Township forty-two (42) South;

Thence west along the south Township line of Township forty-two (42) South, to the east shore line of Lake Okeechobee;

Thence in a southwesterly direction meandering along the boundary of said Lake Okeechobee to the intersection with the Hillsboro Canal, being the point of beginning.

That the levy of drainage taxes and the assessment of benefits to the lands within the said Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District and assessed benefits of lands described in Units Number 1, 2 and 3 under the provisions of this Act, are fixed and made independently of the provisions of said Act relating to the assessment of benefits in Units mentioned herein under the plan prescribed authorizing the Board of Supervisors, under certain conditions and circumstances, to assess benefits and levy taxes, and are to be carried into effect under the provisions of this Act by the Board of Supervisors, the Tax Assessor, and Tax Collector as is herein provided. And

the bonds authorized by this Act shall be issued pursuant to resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors, which shall recite the total amount of benefits assessed upon the property within the Palm Beach Drainage and Highway District, Unit Number 1, Unit Number 2 and Unit Number 3, as levied and assessed under the provisions of this Act. The amount of the taxes so levied and assessed under the provisions of this Act shall be defined and designated as the "Drainage Tax" and so stated in the resolution; the amount of bonds previously issued, the amount of notes or other evidences of indebtedness outstanding, including the amount of warrants that may be issued in anticipation of taxes levied herein, which shall not exceed as an outstanding obligation of said District and said Units Numbers 1, 2 and 3, One Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$1,500,000.00) Dollars, and such resolution shall be sufficiently full to show the benefits assessed, the various units defined, and the taxes levied for each of the several unit developments, and the taxes levied on the lands of the entire district for the developments herein provided for. The statements so made in the resolution shall be deemed binding by the Board of Supervisors and the bonds issued hereunder shall make similar recitals of facts which the Board of Supervisors shall prescribe.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 769, with proposed amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Stokes, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 192:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 2 of Chapter 7735, Laws of 1918, relating to the divesting of

any person, persons, firm or corporation of any property right in certain intoxicating liquors held in custody of the Sheriffs, Deputy Sheriffs and Constables of this State, and providing for its destruction and disposition of container and for giving notice.

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

In Section 1, line 4, strike out the words "Weekly."

Very respectfully,

JNO. P. STOKES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 192, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Stokes, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 408:

A bill to be entitled An Act exempting absentee, soldiers and sailors from payment of poll tax as a qualification to vote in any election until the year 1922.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass with the following amendment No. 1:

In Section 1, line 2, after the words "election" and "elections" (2 places), insert "or primary."

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN P. STOKES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 408, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 731:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of R. F. Hosford and S. J. Revell, of Liberty County, Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committée.

And House Bill No. 731, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(Senate Bill No. 370):

An Act amending Sections 1, 36 and 51 of Chapter 7673 (No. 415), Laws of Florida, enacted 1917, being the charter of the Town of Moore Haven, DeSoto County, Florida; also granting additional powers and privileges to said municipality.

Also—

(Also Senate Bill No. 282):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Ormond, in the County of Volusia, and the State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Ormond, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 357):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County to borrow not to exceed the sum of \$400,000.00 and issue time warrants therefor, for the purpose of constructing certain roads, and providing for the repayment thereof, from the outstanding indebtedness fund of said county.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bills contained in the above report were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(Senate Bill No. 356):

An Act amending Section 11, Chapter 6482, Laws of Florida, the same being An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicle, and restricting the use of trailers, and log, timber, turpentine and other carts, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Hillsborough County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 326):

An Act to amend Section Thirty-four (34), Article 7, of Chapter 6695, Laws of Florida, 1913, entitled An Act

to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Hastings, St. Johns County, Florida, and to establish, organize and incorporate a town to be known and designated as the town of Hastings, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and for the exercise of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 345):

An Act fixing the salary of Judges of Juvenile Courts in counties of ninety thousand or more population.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 235):

An Act to amend Article 10 of Chapter 5868, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1907, approved May 22, 1907, same being entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Wauchula, Florida, and organize a city government for the same, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 306):

An Act fixing compensation of Solicitors of the Criminal Court of Record in certain counties.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bills contained in the above report were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 5):

An Act to provide hog cholera serum and virus for the suppression of hog cholera in the State of Florida.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Eaton—

Senate Bill No. 443:

A bill to be entitled An Act legalizing and validating an election held in Polk County, Florida, constituting Special Road and Bridge District No. 3 of Polk County, Florida, and validating two hundred thousand (\$200,000.00) in bonds of said district.

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

By Mr. Cash—

Senate Bill No. 444:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and adopt the uniform course of study for elementary and high schools, promulgated by the Department of Education in the year 1918, to provide for the publication of a second edition of said course of study, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

By Mr. King—

Senate Bill No. 445:

A bill to be entitled An Act to fix the compensation to be received by Justices of the Peace and by County Judges, except in probate matters, in counties with a population of twenty-five thousand or less.

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

By Mr. Hulley—

Senate Bill No. 446:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate, approve and confirm all of the proceedings taken for the creation, establishment and organization of the Halifax Drainage District in and for Volusia County, Florida, and to validate, approve and confirm all of the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of the said District since the creation thereof, and all of the acts and proceedings of the Circuit Court, the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioners and all other officers and agents of the said Halifax Drainage District, acting for and on behalf of said District, in carrying out the affairs of said District; and to validate, approve and confirm any and all tax levies and assessments which have been made by the Board of Supervisors of the said Halifax Drainage District for and on behalf of said District upon the taxable property located within said District.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hulley moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 446 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 446 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hulley moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 446 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. 446 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Hulley—

Senate Bill No. 447:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1271 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to analysis of fertilizer by State Chemist, method of procuring such analysis, and the effect of same.

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

By Mr. Crosby—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 448:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section One, Article 16, relating to the location of the seat of government of the State of Florida.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 449:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 6456, of the Acts of 1913, and Sections 5 and 19 of Chapter 6456, of the Acts of 1913, as amended by Chapter 6957 of the Acts of 1915, of the Laws of Florida, both of said Chapters 6456 and 6957, of the Laws of Florida, relating to the creation of the Everglades Drainage District of the State of Florida, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes and assessments upon the lands in said district for the purpose of draining and reclaiming the said lands and carrying into effect the provisions of said Act.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 450:

A bill to be entitled An Act to define the ownership in certain marsh, wet or low lands in this State and to authorize the survey and disposition thereof.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 451:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate all land surveys, field notes, maps and plats thereof, made in this State by or under the direction of the Chief Drainage Engineer for the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund; to validate and confirm the acts of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund pertaining to such surveys; and to designate the custodian for such plats, field notes and maps of survey.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 452:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 6456, of the Acts of 1913, as amended by Chapter 6957, of the Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, relating to the creation of the Everglades Drainage District of the State of Florida; defining its boundaries; prescribing its powers; and authorizing the levy and collection of tax assessments upon the lands in said District for the purpose of draining and reclaiming said lands and carrying into effect the provisions of said Act.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 453:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of Sub-Drainage Districts wholly or partially within the Everglades Drainage District of Florida, the plan of reclamation, taxing and financing the same; to define the

powers and duties of the Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District and the Chief Drainage Engineer in relation thereto; to provide for and encourage a closer co-operation between the Everglades Drainage District and such Subsidiary Districts; and to provide for suspensions and removal therefrom.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message from the Governor was read:

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate,
Senate Chamber.

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. 55):

An Act to amend Section Five, Chapter 6208, Laws of the State of Florida, for the year 1911, entitled, "An Act to authorize the several counties of the State of Florida to create and constitute special road and bridge districts, within said counties; and to issue bonds and levy and collect a special tax with which to pay for the construction, repair and maintenance of the roads and bridges within said special roads and bridge districts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 81):

An Act to repeal Chapter 6073 of the Laws of Florida, the same being An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida; to legalize the ordinances of said town and official acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the City of Mayport, in Duval County, Florida, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 90):

An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the State Institutions for Higher Education created and required to be maintained by Chapter 5384 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1905, now known as the University of Florida, the Florida State College for Women, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes; and for the support and maintenance of Summer Schools created by Chapter 6498, Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1913.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 116):

An Act amending Section fourteen of Chapter 6878, Laws of 1915, entitled, "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."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 117):

An Act to legalize and validate the election held in Eustis Special Tax District No. 10, of Lake County, Florida, on the 15th day of March, 1919, and to legalize and validate the issue of Special Tax School District Bonds voted at said election, and to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, to levy and assess a special tax upon the property of said district for the payment of principal and interest of such bonds voted in such district; and to validate the establishment of said district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 191):

An Act for the relief of Saint Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church of Key West.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 219):

An Act for the relief of the Florida Publishing Company for loss of compensation for publishing the 1918 tax sale of Duval County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 221):

An Act to establish the municipality of Key West; provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and repealing Chapter 5812, Laws of 1907, and amendatory acts thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 224):

An Act to legalize the assessments and levies of taxes for the years 1916, 1917 and 1918 by the Town of Archer.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 229):

An Act validating the issue of bonds by Special Tax School District No. 9 in Jackson County, in the sum of \$5,000.00, authorized by the special election held in said district on May 9, 1916, and to provide for the issuance and sale of same for the use and benefit of the Board of Public Instruction of said county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 245):

An Act vesting in the city of Ocala the title to lands within the corporate limits of said city, which have been sold for municipal taxes, and have not been redeemed within the time required by law; giving the city of Ocala the right to redeem unpaid State and county taxes on such property; giving the city of Ocala, or the holder of a city tax deed, the right to maintain ejectment against the former owner or tenant to recover possession of such property; providing for the entry of judgment in such suits and the dismissal thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 246):

An Act amending Section Nine of Chapter 7676 of the Laws of Florida, being An Act entitled "An Act reducing the membership of the City Council of the City of Ocala to five members; providing for their election and recall by the voters of said city at large; providing for the city manager plan of government of said city; further, abolishing the present board of bond trustees for said city, and providing for a new board to be known as the sinking fund commission of the City of Ocala, and prescribing the membership of said board, their election, powers and duties; to provide for the issuance of bonds and negotiable securities by said city; defining the corporate limits of said city; providing for the office and election of

mayor of said city, a city manager, a city clerk and assessor of taxes, chief of police, policemen, and such other officers as the council of said city may provide for; providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates by said city, and for their enforcement and re-assessment; providing for a recorder's court in for said city; and otherwise defining, extending and enlarging the powers of said city, and validating all prior acts thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 275):

An Act to repeal Chapter 7105, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, as amended by Chapter 7583, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1917, the same being An Act to provide for the method and means of opening, establishing, building, constructing and maintaining public roads and bridges in Santa Rosa County, Florida, and to provide a road and bridge fund for the said county, and for collection and assessment of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 277):

An Act authorizing the City Council of the City of New Smyrna to issue certain interest bearing time warrants or city script for the purpose of raising funds with which to improve the canal on Canal Street, within said city, and providing the rate of interest which said warrants or script shall bear, how and when the same shall be made payable, and the period for which the same shall run, and providing for the payment thereof, and the raising of funds for such payment, and authorizing the assessment of a portion of the cost of such improvements against abutting property and for the enforcement of collection of such assessments.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 279):

An Act to provide a simplified method of taking and prosecuting appeals from County Courts, County Judge's Courts and Justice of the Peace Courts of this State.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 283):

An Act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 7415, Laws of Florida, A. D. 1917, entitled: "An Act relating to the road fund and other funds of Sub-Road District No. 2, of Alachua County, Florida, and touching the duties of the road trustees of said district," approved May 30, 1917.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 285):

An Act to legalize and validate the election held in and by the Town of Florence Villa on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1918, to determine whether or not said town should issue bonds in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars for the purpose of improving the roads, streets and alleys in said town, and to legalize and validate the proceedings of the town council with reference to the issuance of said bonds, both preceding and following said election; and ratifying, confirming and validating said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 286):

An Act to amend Section 27 of Chapter 7128 of the Laws of Florida of 1919, entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Apalachicola, County of Franklin, and State of Florida, and to organize and establish a commission form of government for the same; to prescribe its jurisdiction and power and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 297):

An Act making it unlawful for any person to have in his custody or possession any unlawful fishing net, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 299):

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, to reimburse T. J. Bussey, R. L. Bratcher, W. A. Jones, F. J. Jones, and Myron E. Baggott, for the loss of certain cattle.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 300):

An Act to provide for the recording of marks and brands of stock butchered and offered for sale in Manatee County and DeSoto County, and providing that a failure to do so shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 303):

An Act to prohibit the catching of food fish in Lake Pythias located in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, in DeSoto County, Florida, other than with hook and

line and to prohibit the selling of any fish caught with hook and line, and to prohibit the shipment of same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 312):

An Act to validate and confirm all proceedings for establishing Sugar Bowl Drainage District in Manatee County, Florida, and to validate bonds and to confirm and validate all assessments made in Sugar Bowl Drainage District for raising funds to carry out "The Plan of Reclamation."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 333):

An Act to validate, ratify, approve and confirm certain conveyances of land heretofore made by the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 350):

An Act to enlarge the power of the Town of Jennings, in so far as to authorize said Town of Jennings to proceed by suit in chancery to foreclose and enforce liens for delinquent town taxes for the years of 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918, due and past due for said years to the said Town of Jennings or taxes evidenced by tax sale certificates held by said Town of Jennings for amount therein, respectively, involved, with accrued interest thereon.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 351):

An Act in relation to the issuance of bonds of the City of Pensacola authorized at a special election held in the City of Pensacola on the 16th day of August, 1918; to legalize and validate said election and all proceedings in connection therewith, confirm and validate all acts and proceedings relating to the sale and issuance of said bonds by the City Commissioners of said city; to legalize and validate all ordinances adopted by the Board of Commissioners of said city relating to said bonds; to authorize all said bonds that remain unissued to be issued and sold pursuant to and as provided in said ordinances for the purposes stated therein and as provided in this Act; and to provide for the levy of a tax for the payment of said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 352):

An Act relating to the issuance of certain improvement bonds of the City of Pensacola.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 355):

An Act relating to fire protection in the Everglades Drainage District of Florida, to punish violations thereof and to define the powers of the Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District relating thereto.

Very respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to adopt the Conference Committee report on the difference existing between the House and Senate on the amendments to—

Senate Bill No. 4:

A bill to be entitled An Act to refund to owners of automobiles with a seating capacity of not more than five persons all license taxes collected by the Comptroller for the year 1918 in excess of \$5.00 for the full year and two dollars and fifty cents for the half year on such automobiles, and making an appropriation for that purpose and other provisions relating thereto.

Which amendments are as follows:

At the end of Section 1, add: "Provided such refund shall be made directly to party entitled thereto and not through any attorney or collection agent or agency."

In Section 1, lines 11 and 12, strike out the words, "or to his or her legal representatives."

The House respectfully asks for appointment of another Conference Committee and has appointed as such

Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Busto, Futch of Lake, and Hamblin.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Mr. Turnbull moved that the Senate grant the request of the House of Representatives and that the Senate appoint another Conference Committee to meet with the House Committee and endeavor to adjust the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on the amendments to Senate Bill No. 4.

Which was agreed to.

And Messrs. MacWilliams, Anderson and Butler were appointed such new Conference Committee on the part of the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 278 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3-A1 was taken up in its order, and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 103 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 215 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 324:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize, empower and order the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to construct a lock at the point of intersection of the West Palm Beach Canal and the Main County Highway in Palm Beach County, Florida, of size, dimensions, design and construction to correspond with other locks constructed or to be constructed in State canals; and to provide when such lock shall be construed.

Was taken up and read the third time.

Pending consideration of House Bill No. 324—

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the Senate defer action on special order for the consideration of Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4, set for 11:00 o'clock a. m.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate do now reconsider the vote by which special consideration of Committee Substitute to House Bills Nos. 3 and 4 was deferred, and that Senate do take up the consideration of Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The question was put upon the reconsideration of the vote by which consideration of Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4 was deferred.

The Senate reconsidered its action.

And—

Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Sections one (1), two (2), four (4), six (6), eleven (11), seventeen (17), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), twenty (20), and twenty-three (23), of Chapter 7345, of the Laws of Florida, approved June ninth (9), nineteen hundred and seventeen (1917), entitled, "An Act to create the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and to prescribe its membership, powers and duties, fix the compensation for the services of its members and to vest in said Board the authority to provide for the prevention, suppression and control of dangerous, communicable, contagious, infectious or other diseases of cattle, hogs and other domestic animals, and to establish, maintain and enforce quarantine, to prevent the introduction or spread of infectious, contagious and communicable diseases among such animals and to adopt and enforce rules and regulations regarding any and all said matters, and to give said Board power and authority in respect thereto, and to authorize County Commissioners to appropriate and expend funds for the work of tick eradication and hog cholera control, and to provide for the appointment of a State Veterinarian and other agents and employes of said Board, and to fix the powers thereof, and to prescribe punishment for violations of this Act and of the rules and regulations of said Board, and to make the necessary appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this Act."

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

The following amendment by the Senate Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In the title after the quotation marks at the end of title add: "and to authorize the several counties to assess and impose taxes for the purposes of said Act as amended."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Senate Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute for House Bills No. 3 and 4:

In Section 1, line 2, strike out the word "every" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "each."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriations to Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1 (c), line 2nd thereof, strike out the word "shall" and insert "may" in lieu thereof.

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1 (c), line 2d thereof, strike out the word "shall" and insert "may" in lieu thereof.

Was read:

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1 (c), line 8 thereof, strike out the word "shall" and insert "may" in lieu thereof.

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1 (c), line 8 thereof, strike out the word "shall" and insert "may" in lieu thereof.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriations to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Section 1 (c), line 14 thereof, strike out the word "shall" and insert "may" in lieu thereof.

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriation to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Sec. 1 (d), line 1 thereof, "County Commissioners of the."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriation to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Sec. 1. (d), line thereof, all of (d) after "the" in said line 6 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "purpose of carrying into execution the powers conferred on them by this Act."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriation to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Section 1 (e), line 4 thereof, "any of" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "the authority conferred upon them by."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriation to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Sec. 1 (g), line add at the end thereof: "Provided further that the owner of such cattle so killed or injur-

ed, if he or she is not satisfied with the amount of the award, may bring action in a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where such dipping occurred against the State Live Stock Sanitary Board; and such owner shall be allowed his cost, if the judgment recovered, exclusive of cost, shall exceed such award, otherwise he or she shall pay the cost of such action."

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following amendment by the Committee on Appropriation to Committee Substitute House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Sec. 3, line 38 thereof, after the word "appraiser" strike all that follows down to and including the word "Act" in line 43 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Provided that the owner of such cattle or other property, if he or she is not satisfied with the amount of the award, may bring action in a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where such condemnation and destruction occurred against the State Live Stock Sanitary Board; and such owner shall be allowed his cost, if the judgment recovered, exclusive of cost, shall not exceed such award, otherwise, he or she shall pay the cost of such action.

Was read.

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Rowe offered the following amendment to House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1, line 107, strike out the words "proof of such killing or permanent injury, and that the same was the direct result of such dipping," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Claims for such killing or permanent injury to be made to the State Live Stock Sanitary Board."

Mr. Rowe moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Rowe offered the following amendment to House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 9, line 9, strike out the words "State Treasurer" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Attorney General."

Mr. Rowe moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bradshaw offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

In Section 1, line 39, add: "Provided, no rule shall be promulgated requiring the dipping of cattle oftener than once every 30 days."

Mr. Bradshaw moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4:

Add new Section 11, to read as follows: "Nothing in this Act shall apply to dairy cattle and family milk cows kept under fence.

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Russell moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Upon which a ye and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—24.

Nays—Senators Anderson, Butler, Crosby, Lowry, Mathis, Oliver, Roland, Turnbull—8.

So Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 3 and 4 was indefinitely postponed, and the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

The Senate resumed the consideration of House Bill No. 324.

Mr. Hughlett moved to waive the rules and to place House Bill No. 324 back on its second reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the further consideration of the bill was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 236:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for a uniform system and method of municipal accounting and for examination into the financial operations of the municipalities in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for any violation of the provisions thereof, and repealing

Chapter 6817 of the Laws of Florida, entitled: "An Act to provide a uniform method of municipal accounting, and for the examination into the financial operations of municipalities in the State of Florida," approved June 5th, 1915.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 236, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Rowe, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner—23.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

The consideration of House Bill No. 324 was resumed:

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 324:

In Section 1, lines 1 and 2, strike out the words "Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The Board of Drainage Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District out of funds coming into their hands as such."

Mr. Hughlett moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 324:

Strike out the words "Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The Board of Drainage Commissioners of the Everglades Drainage District."

Mr. Hughlett moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 324 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. 324 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, John-

son, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Turnbull, Turner—22.

Nays—Senators Igon, Wilson—2.

So the bill passed as amended, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to have the Senate amendments engrossed and then to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 317:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the cancellation and satisfaction of mortgage, liens, judgments and decrees, and providing a penalty for the failure to make such cancellation and satisfaction.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 317 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igon, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Wilson—23.

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. 373:

A bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1919, and for the year 1920, and for six months of the year 1921.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Lowry offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 373, now on its third reading:

In Section 1, line 146, and Section 2, line 137, and Section 3, line 139 (printed bill), after words "Contingent Expenses," insert: "Including necessary expenses of Justices attending the Judicial Section of the American Bar Association."

Mr. Lowry moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Lowry moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 373 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. 373 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill, as amended, passed, title as stated.

And Senate Bill No. 373, as amended, was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills, and then to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following explanation for his vote on Senate Bil. No. 373, and requested that same be spread upon the Journal:

This bill provided for an increase in appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Government of over \$175,000; have endeavored by offering amendments seeking to prevent such increase. Realizing, however, that the State Government cannot continue without some appropriation, I voted "yea."

W. A. MacWILLIAMS.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 101 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 73 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 248:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the marking and branding of cattle and the marking of hogs and to recording of marks and brands and the transfer and sale of hogs and cattle and the execution and delivery of bills of sale conveying and selling hogs and cattle or either and recording the same, and providing that Sections 3108, 3109 and 3110 of the General Statutes shall

not be applicable to hogs and cattle and providing a penalty for violation of the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full. Mr. Cash offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 248:

In Section 9, line 8, strike out the words, "less than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars, or."

Mr. Cash moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 248 as amended by the Senate was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 79 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 137:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Sections 1470, 1471 and 1474 of the General Statutes of Florida, 1906, affecting the trial of civil and criminal causes where the trial judge is disqualified or a change of venue necessary.

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

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 137 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 288 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 288 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 262 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 251 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 348 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 200 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

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House Bill No. 191 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 151:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 7294, of the Acts of 1917, of the Laws of Florida, being An Act creating a State Fire Insurance Fund, and authorizing the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to insure all property of the State in such fund and directing the State Treasurer to keep a record of all matters necessary for carrying out the provisions of this bill.

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

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 151:

In Section 1, at the end of paragraph 3, insert the following: "Provided, That in the event any funds shall be paid out of the General Revenue Fund under the provisions of this bill such amount so paid out shall be returned to the General Revenue Fund out of the first premium earnings of said State Fire Insurance Fund."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 151, as amended by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

House Bill No. 416 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Carlton called up—

House Bill No. 191:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 2481 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, providing for acknowledgments and proofs of execution of instruments to be made in foreign countries and validating certain acknowledgments and proofs of the same heretofore had and taken in foreign countries.

Which had been informally passed over.

Was taken up.

Mr. Johnson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 191 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 191 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 191:

Strike out everything after enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. That Section 2481 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 2481. In order to entitle any of the instruments named in the preceding section, or any other instrument concerning real property to such record, the execution thereof must be acknowledged by the party executing the same; or the execution thereof by the said party must be proved by a subscribing witness thereto before the officers and in the form and manner following:

In this State.—If such acknowledgment or proof be made, within this State, it may be made before any judge, clerk or deputy clerk of any court of record, or a United States Commissioner, or a notary public or justice of the peace of this State, and the certificate of acknowledgment or proof shall be under the seal of the court or of the officer as the case may be.

Without this State but within the United States.—If the acknowledgment or proof be made out of this State, but within the United States, it may be made before a commissioner of deeds appointed by the Governor of this State, or before a judge or clerk of any court of the United States, or of any state, territory or district, having a seal, or before a notary public, justice of the peace, master in chancery, register or recorder of deeds, of such state, territory or district having an official seal, and the certificate of acknowledgment or proof shall be under the seal of the court or officer, as the case may be.

In Foreign Countries.—If the acknowledgment or proof be made in any foreign country, it may be made before any commissioner of deeds appointed by the Governor of this State to reside in such country, or before any notary public of such foreign country, having an official seal, or before any Ambassador, Envoy Extraordinary, Minister Plenipotentiary, Minister, Commissioner, Charge d'Affaires, Consul General, Consul, Vice-Consul, Consular Agent, or any other Diplomatic or Consular officer of the United States appointed to reside in such county, military or naval officers, authorized by the laws or articles of war of the United States to perform the duties of notary public, and the certificate of acknowledgment or proof shall be under the seal of the officer.

Sec. 2. All affidavits and acknowledgments heretofore

made or taken in the manner set forth above are hereby validated.

Sec. 3. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Mr. Carlton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 191, as amended by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills to have the amendment engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 374 was taken up in its order, and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 99:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the compensation of County Commissioners of Okeechobee County, Florida.

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

Mr. Carlton moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 99.

Which was agreed to.

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

House Bill No. 26:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2248 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to application for and issuance of writs of habeas corpus.

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

Mr. Mathis moved to indefinitely postpone House Bill No. 26.

Which was agreed to.

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

House Bill No. 83:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide a penalty to be imposed upon any person in this State who shall, with intent to injure and defraud, obtain or procure money or other thing of value on a contract or promise to perform labor or service; and prescribing a rule of evidence governing the same.

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 83 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 83 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that House Bill No. 83 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

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

By consent—

Mr. Stokes, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 34:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section One, Chapter 5400 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1905, being An Act entitled: "An Act to provide for the privileges of witnesses in investigations and prosecutions for the violation of the Statutes against bribery, gaming and gambling and for violation of the statutes against the illegal sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors.

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

Very respectfully,

JNO. P. STOKES,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 34, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By consent—

Mr. Stokes, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 493:

A bill to be entitled An Act defining and punishing the crime of unlawfully possessing, controlling, using, making, repairing, and employing anything for the unlawful manufacture of distilled intoxicating liquors and prescribing a rule of evidence governing such cases.

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

Very respectfully,

JNO. P. STOKES,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 493, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By consent—

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 324:

(With Senate Amendments Adopted May 27, 1919):

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize, empower and order the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to construct a lock at the point of intersection of the West Palm Beach Canal and the Main County Highway in Palm Beach County, Florida, of size, dimensions, design and construction to correspond with other locks constructed or to be constructed in State Canals; and to provide when such lock shall be constructed.

Have examined Senate amendments to House Bill No. 324 and find the same correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

W. A. McLEOD,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 324, contained in the above report, was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

The hour set for recess having arrived, the Senate took a recess to 3:00 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

3:00 O'CLOCK.

The Senate reconvened at 3:00 o'clock P. M. in pursuance to recess order.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—26.

A quorum present.

By Consent—

Mr. Russell introduced—

Senate Bill No. 454:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the eradication of certain pests now threatening the camphor industry in this State and to make an appropriation therefor.

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

Messrs. Rowe, Oliver and Igou were excused to attend a committee meeting.

By Consent—

Mr. Malone introduced—

Senate Bill No. 455:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize, empower and order the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to establish, organize, create and operate an agricultural and horticultural experiment station to be known as the Florida Everglades Experiment Station; to give said trustees sole and exclusive authority, direction and supervision over, and power and authority to operate and maintain such experiment station; to authorize said trustees to erect such buildings and plant and purchase such live stock and equipment as may be necessary, convenient or suitable to erect, equip, operate and maintain such experimental station; to employ and

discharge a superintendent and other assistants; to set aside a tract of land and to choose a suitable site for such experiment station; to expend not to exceed sixty thousand dollars for the erection, creation, organization and equipment of such experiment station, and an additional sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars for further equipment, maintenance and other essential requirements of said experiment station for the fiscal year ending June 20th, A. D. 1920, and a like sum for similar purposes for the fiscal year ending June 20th, A. D. 1921; to authorize and empower the trustees to sell lands to procure funds to use for and on behalf of said experiment station; and to repeal Sections 426 and 427 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to the establishment and maintenance of an experiment station.

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

By consent—

Mr. Crawford introduced—

Senate Bill No. 456:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate, legalize, and confirm an election held in the City of Orlando, a municipal corporation in the County of Orange and State of Florida, on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1919, to determine whether or not the said City of Orlando should issue its negotiable coupon bonds in the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars, for paving and improving certain streets in said city, to authorize the issuance of said bonds and to legalize, validate and confirm the same, and to legalize, validate and confirm all proceedings had in connection therewith, or relating thereto.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 456 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 456 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 456 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. 456 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 358:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2 and 6 of Chapter 7328 of the Acts of Florida of 1917, the same being 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.'" Approved May 19, 1917.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 358 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 358 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 358 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. 358 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igo, Johnson, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—27.

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. 359:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate all contracts and agreements for State aid in the construction of permanent roads and bridges in special road and bridge districts, and the proceedings of Boards of County Commissioners for the issuance of bonds as special road and bridge districts based on such contracts and agreements.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 359 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 359 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 359 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. 359 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—25.

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. 360:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 15, Chapter 7275, Acts of 1917, Laws of Florida, the same being 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.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 360 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 360 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 360 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. 360 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—Senators Bradshaw, Singletary—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 96:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Henry Langhout.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 96 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 96 was read a second time by its title only.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 96:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Henry Langhout, and providing for proof to be made to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Alachua County in connection therewith.

Was taken up and was read.

Mr. Roland moved to adopt the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 96.

Which was agreed to.

And it was adopted in lieu of the original bill.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 96 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 96 was read a third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Roland, Turnbull, Wilson—18.

Nays—Senators MacWilliams and Singletary—2.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 271:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing County Boards of Public Instruction to purchase school books, sell, rent, or furnish them free to pupils; to require publishers to file sample copies of all high school books to be sold in the State with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and County Boards of Public Instruction; to require publishers to sell school books in this State at the lowest net wholesale price given anywhere in the United States; to require publishers to give bond to the State; to provide rules and regulations for enforcing and punishment and penalties for the violation of this Act; and for other purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 271 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 271 was read a second time by its title only.

And the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 271 was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 364:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6137 of the Laws of Florida, entitled An Act to make an appropriation to aid in the endowment of the Florida room of the Confederate Museum, and to provide for the payment of such appropriation.

Was taken up.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 364 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. 364 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senator Carlton called up—

Senate Bill No. 271:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing County Boards of Public Instruction to purchase school books, sell, rent, or furnish them free to pupils; to require publishers to file sample copies of all high school books to be sold in the State with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and County Boards of Public Instruction; to require publishers to sell school books in this State at the lowest net wholesale price given anywhere in the United States; to require publishers to give bond to the State; to provide rules and regulations for enforcing, and punishment and penalties for the violation of this Act; and for other purposes.

Which had been informally passed over, and the consideration of same was resumed.

Mr. Cash offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 271:

Strike out the word "high" wherever it appears in the bill or title.

Mr. Cash moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 271 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Mathis moved to waive the rules, and that the Senate do take up the consideration of local bills only for the balance of the afternoon.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

CONSIDERATION OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 422:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section forty-five of the charter of City of Tampa, relating to the assessment of taxes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 422 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 422 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 422 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. 422 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Hughlett, Hulley, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—20.

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. 427:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present town charter granting said town the right to borrow additional sums of money, and prescribing the manner in which same shall be repaid, together with the interest thereon, and the purposes therefor.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 427 be read a second time by its title only.

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

And Senate Bill No. 427 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 427 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. 427 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—22.

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. 428:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes due the Town of Avon Park.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 428 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 428 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 428 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

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

And Senate Bill No. 428 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—22.

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. 434 was taken up in its order, and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 438:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending the charter of the City of Tampa.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 438 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 438 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 438 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. 438 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Singletary, Stokes, Turner—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Carlton moved that Senate Bill No. 423 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 423:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for two shifts of firemen connected in working with the fire department of cities of a population of more than fifteen thousand (15-000), according to the last Federal census.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 423 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 423 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 423 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. 423 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Crosby moved that Senate Bill No. 434 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 434:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, to borrow 50% of the estimated annual revenue of the road and bridge fund and the agricultural fund of said county, and to issue time warrants for such indebtedness, payable not more than six months from their date and bearing not more than six per cent interest.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crosby moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 434 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 434 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crosby moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 434 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. 434 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

HOUSE LOCAL BILLS ON THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 286 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE LOCAL BILLS ON SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 74 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 333 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 420 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 427 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 549 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 611 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 579 was taken up in its order and read the second time.

Mr. Hughlett moved that House Bill No. 579 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 579 was indefinitely postponed.

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

House Bill No. 655:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide that the roads to be constructed in the Shell Bluff Special Road and Bridge District in Flagler County, Florida, with the proceeds of the sale of Ninety-nine Thousand Five Hundred (\$99,500.00) Dollars of bonds of said District, may be paved a width of nine (9) feet.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 655 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 655 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 655 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. 655 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 656 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over,

House Bill No. 503 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over,

House Bill No. 629 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over,

House Bill No. 633:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Okaloosa County, Florida, in their discretion to reimburse J. W. Baggett, Jr., J. H. Givens, R. A. Rozier, W. J. Davis and B. P. Edge the sum of \$925, attorneys' fees paid out by them in defending the suit of J. C. Owens, et al., against them in the Circuit Court of Okaloosa County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 633 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 633 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 633 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. 633 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 Anderson, Baker, Butler, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 632:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 7536, Laws of the State of Florida, 1917, and providing for fee for County Judge of Okaloosa County, State of Florida, for issuing and reporting non-resident persons' license to fish in said Okaloosa County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 632 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 632 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 632 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. 632 was read a third time in full. Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Crosby moved that House Bill No. 333 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 333:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the protection of the public roads and bridges of Marion County, and prescribing the manner and mode of using of said public roads and bridges by motor trucks and trailers, and other vehicles; and regulating the operation of such vehicles on said public roads and bridges; and providing that violations thereof shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Crosby offered the following—

Substitute for House Bill No. 333:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the protection of the public roads and bridges of Marion County, and prescribing the manner and mode of using said public roads and bridges by motor trucks and trailers, log carts, and timber wagons, and other vehicles and regulating the operation of such motor trucks and other

vehicles, and prescribing the conditions under which log carts and timber wagons may be permitted by the Board of County Commissioners to operate on the public roads and bridges of Marion County, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Which was read the first and second times.

Mr. Crosby moved to adopt the substitute in lieu of the original bill.

Which was agreed to.

And the substitute was adopted.

Mr. Crosby moved that the rules be further waived and that Substitute House Bill No. 333 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Substitute House Bill No. 333 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Fulley, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 646 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 634:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 6638, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, entitled An Act to prohibit the catching or taking of food fish in the waters of the Pithlochascotee River, and its tributaries, in the County of Pasco, and the State of Florida, by the use of seines, gill nets or any other kind of nets or devices, except cast nets, hook and line, and prescribing that its violation shall be punished by the General Laws of the State of Florida as in such cases made and provided, and to repeal Chapter 7082 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled An Act prohibiting the catching of fish with nets or seines in the Lacootee River, or in any creek, bayou, or inlet in Pasco County, Florida, and to

repeal House Bill No. 410, being An Act entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 7082, Laws of Florida, being An Act relating to catching fish with nets or seines in certain rivers, creeks, bayous, or inlets in Pasco County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 634 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 634 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 634 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. 634 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 635:

A bill to be entitled An Act to make it unlawful for any person to shoot or kill any fish in the waters of the Withlacoochee River in Pasco County, Florida, with any gun or pistol and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 635 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 635 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 635 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. 635 was read a third time in full

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 639:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida, and to create and establish a municipal corporation to be known as the City of Kissimmee, Osceola County, Florida; to prescribe the territorial limits thereof; to prescribe the form of government and confer certain powers upon said municipality and the officers thereof; and to provide for the carrying into effect of the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 639 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 639 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 639 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. 639 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 715:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the employment of detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record of Dade County, Florida, to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 715 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 715 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 715 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. 715 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 713:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Jackson County to borrow money for the construction, completion and maintenance of cattle dipping vats in said County.

Was taken up.

Mr. Singletary moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 713 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 713 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Singletary moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 713 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. 713 was read a third time in full. Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 723:

A bill to be entitled An Act prescribing the compensation of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Lucie County, Florida, for making abstracts of title in said county.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett, moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 723 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 723 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 723 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. 723 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Malone, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 643:

A bill to be entitled An Act to allow the Board of Bond Trustees for Special Road and Bridge District No. 1, of Alachua County, Florida, to borrow money for general road and bridge purposes, and relating to the road fund collected within said district.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 643 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 643 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 643 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. 643 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 627:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate the action taken and agreed to be taken by the City of South Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, in making public improvements to the housing project of the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation within said city and in issuing bonds to provide funds therefor.

Was taken up.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 627 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 627 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 627 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. 627 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Baker,

Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Turner, Wilson—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 606:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County of Orange to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 606 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 606 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 606 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. 606 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 Anderson, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Turner, Wilson—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 714:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of Clay County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of erecting, repairing, adding to, two school buildings, one at Green Cove Springs and the other at Middleburg, and providing for the validation of such time warrants.

Was taken up.

Mr. Baker moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 714 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 714 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Baker moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 714 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. 714 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 Anderson, Baker, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 651:

A bill to be entitled An Act supplemental to and amendatory of An Act entitled "An Act affecting the Government of the City of Jacksonville; abolishing certain offices and boards, creating a City Commission, and prescribing its powers and duties; providing for and prescribing the powers and duties of the Trustees of the Jacksonville Free Public Library; creating a Board of Charities and prescribing its powers and duties, and its relation to the Board of County Commissioners; providing other offices and prescribing their powers and duties; and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said City." Approved May 30th, 1917.

Was taken up.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 651 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 651 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 651 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. 651 was read a third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Malone, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 719:

A bill to be entitled An Act to enable the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County to make an annual appropriation for the relief and care of the indigent sick of the county.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 719 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 719 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 719 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. 719 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 758:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing that special road districts may be established in Levy County, providing for a special road tax and the working of roads in said special districts, and repealing Chapter 7047 of the Special Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1915.

Was taken up.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 758 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 758 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 758 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. 758 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 749 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Mathis moved that House Bill No. 755 be taken from the Calendar of Local Bills and be placed on the Calendar of General Bills.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 755 was placed on the Calendar of General Bills.

House Bill No. 756:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing time warrants, the proceeds to be used for the eradication of the Southern cattle tick in Brevard County, Florida, to the amount of twenty-four thousand dollars, and to prescribe the manner and terms of issuance and the retirement of same.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 756 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 756 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 756 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. 756 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 750:

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate fishing and the fishing industry in the County of Seminole, State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 750 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 750 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 750 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. 750 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Stokes, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 741 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 745 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 746 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 673:

A bill to be entitled An Act creating the Special Road and Bridge District in Pinellas County, Florida, to be known as the "Indian Rocks Road and Bridge District;" to define its boundaries; to provide for the construction, purchase, maintenance and operation of roads, bridges, trestles and bulk-heads therein; to authorize the issuance of bonds and the levy of taxes; and to prescribe the manner in which suits shall be brought.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 673 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 673 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 673 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. 673 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Stokes, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 712:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend the paragraph in Section 1 of Chapter 7570, Acts of 1917, referring to location of road described in Section 1 of said Act entitled: "An Act to legalize and validate the proceedings of the Commissioners of Pinellas County in relation to the formation of a special road and bridge district in said County, and for the issuing and sale of bonds of the said road and bridge district to the amount of \$100,000, for the purpose of constructing a hard-surfaced highway in said County, in connection with a causeway and bridge from the mainland to Long Key, running to Passa-a-Grille, Florida, and providing for the payment thereof and to authorize the said improvement."

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 712 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill 712 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to House Bill 712:

At the end of Section 1 add: "And the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County are hereby authorized to construct said road and to pay for the same out of any funds provided by said road and bridge district."

Mr. Carlton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 712, 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. 712, as amended, was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed as amended, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 730:

A bill to be entitled An Act allowing the Tax Collectors of the Counties of Broward and Dade of the State of Florida an additional compensation of one-half of one per cent for their services in collecting certain drainage taxes under the provisions of Chapter 7430 as amended by Chapter 7758 of the Laws of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 730 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 730 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 730 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. 730 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Lowry, Mathis, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 732:

A bill to be entitled An Act to permit the County Commissioners of Dade County, Florida, to borrow sufficient funds to carry on the business of the county, when the tax funds are exhausted and to issue time warrants therefor.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 732 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 732 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 732 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. 732 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 734:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of Circuit Court in and for Alachua County, in the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 734 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 734 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 734 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. 734 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Igou, Lowry, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Wilson—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Hughlett moved that House Bill No. 741 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 741:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting to the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County the right and power to collect tolls for the use of and passage over a bridge proposed to be constructed over Indian River in said county, and to employ one or more persons to make such collection, and to pay the compensation of such person or persons, and providing from what funds such compensation shall be paid, and how the tolls collected shall be applied.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 741 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 741 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 741 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. 741 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Lowry moved that House Bill No. 749 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 749:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections seven (7) and twenty-seven (27) of Chapter 6400 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Tallahassee, in the County

of Leon, in the State of Florida, and to create, establish and organize a municipality to be known and designated as the City of Tallahassee, and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges." Section 7 relating to the organization, election and powers of the City Council, and Section 27 relating to the power of the City Council to levy taxes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Lowry moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 749 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 749 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Lowry moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 749 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. 749 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 736:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in municipal elections to be held in the municipality of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 736 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 736 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived,

and that House Bill No. 736 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. 736 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Turner, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 737:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize Broward County to improve the navigation of New River within said County, to construct, build and maintain ports and harbors within said County, and to issue bonds in aid thereof, to provide for the securing and payment of said bonds, and for other purposes properly connected therewith.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 737 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 737 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 737 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. 737 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 Anderson, Andrews, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turner, 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. MacWilliams moved that House Bill No. 416 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 416:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7599 of the Special Acts adopted by the Legislature of Florida, at its 16th Regular Session, entitled: "An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing 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 provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions," approved June 8, 1917, and to repeal Chapter 7762, adopted at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of the State of Florida, of 1918, approved December 7, 1918, entitled: "An Act to fix the terms of office and compensation of the Supervisors and Secretary and Treasurer of the Southern Drainage District; providing that Joe Conrad shall also serve as Secretary and L. T. Highleyman as Treasurer of said district; and fixing the salary of the attorney for said board," and to validate the assessment of benefits made under said Chapter 7599, and all action taken by the boards and officers of said district, including the taxes levied against such benefits, and to increase the powers of said district as to road construction and maintenance and to provide for the obligations of cities, counties, and other political subdivisions in connection with the works of said district, and the manner of payment thereof, and for other incidental purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to waive the rules and that House Bill No. 416 be committed to the Committee on Drainage.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill was referred to the Committee on Drainage.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

By Consent—

Mr. Stokes introduced—

Senate Bill No. 457:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of Escambia County, in this State, to purchase and furnish free of cost, school books for use of the pupils of the public schools of said county, to authorize said board to prescribe rules and regulations, and to provide certain penalties.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Stokes moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 457 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 457 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Stokes moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 457 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. 457 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 766 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 738:

A bill to be entitled An Act to ratify, approve, validate and confirm all the acts, proceedings, contracts and records of the Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, its Board of Supervisors, its officers and agents, had or done pursuant to and under the provisions of Chapter 7430, as amended by Chapter 7758, Laws of Florida, and of the officers of said county thereunder, and all assessments made and taxes collected and levied thereunder and a certain issue of bonds of the par value of nineteen thousand (\$19,000.00) dollars, bearing date on the 16th day of January, 1919, which bonds were validated on the 15th day of March, 1919, by the Circuit Court Judge of Broward County, Florida, and to cure and validate each informality or irregularity in connection therewith.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 738 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 738 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 738 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. 738 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 622:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7139, Laws of Florida, entitled An Act to create, establish

and organize a municipality in the county of Pasco and State of Florida, to be known and designated as Dade City; to define its territorial boundaries, jurisdiction, powers and privileges; and to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Dade City.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 622 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 622 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 622 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. 622 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators, Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 726:

A bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of the County Commissioners of Dade County, Florida, and providing for the manner in which it shall be paid.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 726 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 726 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 726 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. 726 was read a third time in full.

On motion of Mr. Hughlett, further consideration of House Bill No. 726 was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 666:

A bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to drive or cause to be driven cattle over the asphaltic or bituminous surface roads of Lee County, and requiring firms or corporations running or operating log, timber or turpentine cart, carts, wagon or wagons, traction engine, motor truck, tractors or trailers on or over any public roads in the County of Lee, and persons habitually hauling heavy loads of any kind on or over such roads, to keep that portion of the road used by them in repair; providing a penalty for failure to do so; providing for civil action to recover damages, including attorney's fee, by the County Commissioners in a civil action, and providing for the issuing of temporary and permanent injunction and other orders by the Circuit Court to prevent damages to public roads.

Was taken up.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 666 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 666 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 666:

In Section 3, strike out the last two lines of Section 3.

Mr. Malone moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 666 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. 666 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 Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Hughlett, Hulley, Malone, Oliver, Roland, Singletery—10.

Nays—Senators Crawford, Igou, King, Mathis, Moore, Rowe, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—9.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Rowe submitted, on behalf of the Joint Committee to investigate the expenditures of the Adjutant-General, the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Hon. Geo. H. Wilder,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Sirs:

Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 16, providing that a committee be appointed for the purpose of investigating the expenditures of the Adjutant General in his office and the conduct of his office, we beg to report as follows:

The committee examined under oath, at Tallahassee, the following witnesses: Governor S. J. Catts, Judge J. B. Whitfield, General J. B. Christian, Major Bassett, Captain Ed Anderson, Mr. J. Will Yon, Mr. J. V. Burke and Mr. J. Stuart Lewis. A copy of the testimony taken is submitted herewith to be filed.

We have had access to the paid vouchers in the Comptroller's office as issued by the Adjutant General. We examined a large number of these vouchers, and find that same are in regular form prescribed by law. Some of the vouchers, however, fail to state with sufficient accuracy for what purposes same were issued. There is nothing in any of the testimony or otherwise found by the committee to show other than honest conduct in the handling of funds in the Adjutant General's department.

The Adjutant General assumed the duties of his office on January 22, 1917, by virtue of an appointment by the Governor. He states that he then found the military forces of Florida in bad shape and without enthusiasm. He further states that when he entered office he found, according to the report of his predecessor, that there were on December 31, 1916, an aggregate of 425 men in the National Guard of Florida, 51 men in the National Guard Reserves, and 417 in the Florida Naval Militia; and that by December 31, 1917, during his own incumbency in office, there had been mustered in 3,869 men into service of the National Guard of Florida, 42 men in the National Guard Reserves and 483 in the Naval Militia.

Asked as to the reason for the increase, he stated it was because he simply got busy and also because the Federal Government allowed the building up of organizations to war strength and the creation of new units. He accomplished this between January 22, 1917, and August 5, 1917, and it was done largely through the activity of Colonel Harrison, whom he sent out over the State to effect the reorganization. The work no doubt was aided greatly by expectations of war. We give due credit to the Adjutant General's office in this work.

Owing to the fact that the National Guard of Florida was mustered into Federal service in 1917, the present Adjutant General has not had much opportunity of proving his ability in handling the National Guard, and none whatever in normal times.

At present the Federal Government has made provision for only one battalion of the National Guard for Florida. The Battalion is to consist of four companies each with a minimum of 65 men and a maximum of 105 men; so that at present provision is made for only between 260 and 420 men in the National Guard of Florida, exclusive of officers. The Adjutant General states that he began this present month to perfect the organization of this battalion.

It is thought by the Adjutant General and other military men that Congress will soon make provision whereby Florida's quota of National Guard forces may be increased.

The Adjutant General did not give to the committee any definite and detailed statement as to the duties performed by himself since the federalization of the National Guard. The work, he states, decreased gradually after that time. He could not give an estimate as to the number of letters written each day.

The committee did not summon any of the present or former office force of the Adjutant General, nor did it make a trip to St. Augustine to examine the files of his office, because it was thought that the information which might be gained thereby would hardly justify the expense.

In September, 1918, the Governor sent to St. Augustine Mr. Yon, State Auditor, for the purpose of making an investigation of the necessity for maintaining the office force of the Adjutant General. Upon the report

of Mr. Yon to the Governor, His Excellency, on September 7, 1918, ordered the Adjutant General to dispense with the services of Mr. Earls, mechanic; Major Snow, Quartermaster, and Miss Earls, stenographer, upon the ground that their services were no longer necessary. The Adjutant General promptly complied with the order. The committee believes that the dispensing with the services of these persons, with the exception of the stenographer, was proper, and that this should have been done several months prior thereto.

Government military property in charge of the Adjutant General's Department was stored at the Camp Grounds, at Jacksonville, Florida. T. L. Lamb took care of this property and looked after the grounds at a salary of \$75.00 per month, paid out of the National Guard Funds of the State. The property was kept locked up while at the Camp Grounds and did not have to be guarded. The National Government took over these grounds in the year 1917. In the latter part of 1918 the property remaining at the Camp Grounds was moved to military headquarters at St. Augustine. No reason is given by the Adjutant General why the property could not have been removed at an earlier date. Or, as testified to by Captain Anderson, the property could have been turned back to the Federal Government within a couple of months after the National Guard was federalized. Had either of these courses been pursued, the services of T. L. Lamb could have been dispensed with. He was retained, however, on a salary of \$75.00 per month until September, 1918, thus entailing what we believe to have been a useless expense to the National Guard Fund of the State of \$600.00 to \$700.00.

The National Guard of Florida was Federalized on August 5th, 1917. Major Snow was in the office of the Adjutant General on and prior to August 5, 1917, acting as Quartermaster and Property and Disbursing Officer of the U. S. Government, and also had charge of all property in Florida pertaining to the National Guard. The Adjutant General in his testimony states that after this date "he did not have any great bulk of work on hand, but the work there had to be done and he was quartermaster and the proper man to do it." The Adjutant General says that he got rid of all unnecessary office force after August 5, 1917, as fast as he reason-

ably thought same should be gotten rid of. He says: 'I wanted to uphold the dignity of the office to a certain extent, not clear out the whole thing right then. In view also of the fact I knew one of the men was trying his best to get into Federal service. I was expecting him any day to get in the Federal service. I didnt want to cut him off right then with nothing to do in the world, trying to get in Federal service; that was Snow, and as soon as he got in service, he would have been transferred from my books.' Major Snow was retained in the office of the Adjutant General until September, 1918, at a salary of \$110.00 per month paid out of the National Guard fund of Florida. Major Alexander was in the office of the Adjutant General during this period of time and took the position of Major Snow in September, 1918. While the Adjutant General felt that he should aid Major Snow, the committee feels that the salary of Major Snow for practically one year should have been saved to the State.

On May 22, 1917, the Governor, by letter, ordered the Adjutant General to report to Tallahassee with such of his office force, files, military stores and equipment as might be necessary to accomplish prompt disposition of military affairs in connection with present war maneuvers and in order that it might be convenient to communicate with him concerning prompt disposition of orders from the War Department. In compliance with that order the Adjutant General reported at Tallahassee bringing Major Alexander, who looked after naval affairs in the Adjutant General's office, and Miss Plowman, stenographer. On June 23, 1917, the Governor wrote the following letter to the Adjutant General:

"Tallahassee, Fla., June 23, 1917. General J. B. Christian, Adjutant General, Tallahassee, Fla. Dear Sir: As you have finished the work in connection with General Anderson of completing the military draft assigned to you by the government of the United States, I hereby order that you may remove such part of your office force as you have found necessary to transport to Tallahassee, back to your headquarters at St. Augustine, however, leaving General Anderson, the Disbursing Officer of the U. S. present in Tallahassee to complete the remaining work of said draft. Yours very truly, Sidney J. Catts,

Governor and Commander in Chief, Military Forces in Florida."

The Adjutant General obeyed the instructions contained in the letter. The expense of all parties including stay in Tallahassee, was considerable, the Adjutant General not being able without referring to records to give the exact amount of the expense. The Adjutant General states that he was ready and willing at all times to perform the duties as outlined in the Governor's letter of May 22, 1917, and that that duty was in connection with the proper administration of the Selective Service Law. He established headquarters in the old armory at Tallahassee. It seems that the Governor had endeavored prior to May 22, 1917, to get the Adjutant General to take hold of the selective draft—he being the person usually selected to perform the duties of draft executive in the various states. That this was contemplated is shown by Section 31, Selective Service Law prescribed under the Act of Congress, which Section reads as follows:

"Nominally the office through which the Governor exercises his functions in the administration of the Selective Service Law shall be the office of the Adjutant General, but where there is no Adjutant General or where the Governor selects another person or administrative department of the State Government, the person or department so selected shall be intended by the word 'Adjutant General' as used herein. The office organization of State's Adjutant General in the execution of a Selective Service Law shall include (a) Assistant to State Adjutant General to assist the Adjutant General of the State in the performance of the duties devolving upon him in the execution of the Selective Service Law, one or more officers of the National Army or of the Reserve Corps will be commissioned by the President and assigned to duty under the direction of the Governor for service in this State in connection with the execution of the Selective Service Law; such officers should be assigned by the Governor to duty in the office of the State Adjutant General or such other administrative officer or department of the State Government as the Governor may select as the office or department to be in charge of the execution of the Selective Service Law within the State. An officer of the National Army or Reserve Corps so assigned shall receive no compensation other than his pay and al-

lowances as an officer. The officer so assigned shall act as Disbursing Officer at State Headquarters."

Under this Section, the Governor had the right to name some other person or department to perform the duties of the Adjutant General, and for some reason, he called in Major Ed. Anderson, who had been commissioned Major by the Governor, now being Captain Anderson, U. S. A., he having been so commissioned as Captain in December, 1917. At the instance of the Governor, the United States made him Disbursing Officer for the State of Florida, in June 1917, at a salary of \$75.00 per month.

While the Adjutant General was in Tallahassee, he and Major Anderson had offices just across the aisle from each other in the same building. Major Anderson and not the Adjutant General performed the duties of draft executive. The Adjutant General says that he was ready to do everything the Governor asked him to do but said he could not work with Major Anderson. Captain Anderson says that he could not work with the Adjutant General, and says further, that the Adjutant General could be of no assistance to him because of his lack of experience as a military or clerical man. The Governor says the Adjutant General was disobedient and did not do anything and therefore he told him to take his office force and equipment back to St. Augustine. Without attempting to unravel the charge and countercharges, we do conclude that the Adjutant General failed to act as promptly in an endeavor to lay the ground work for the selective draft as the occasion demanded. As an illustration of this, the testimony shows that Major Anderson arrived in Tallahassee on the night of May 22, 1917, and discovered that the draft boards throughout the entire State were required to be completed the following day. No work to this end had been done by the Adjutant General.

Captain Anderson has shown by his testimony that the Adjutant General's office has made some errors in the lists of the National Guard Troops sent to him as draft executive. This is, in July, 1917, the Adjutant General's office reported to the draft executive that Company F, Second Infantry, at Wauchula, Florida, on June 30th, 1917, had 181 men. After exchanging several telegrams with the Adjutant General's office, the Company Commander was communicated with and he reported the Company to have 64 men. One Platoon in Gadsden County,

consisting of 48 men was not reported at all by the Adjutant General. This omission called for considerable explanation and much extra work.

From the statement made out by the Comptroller's office and from the testimony, it appears that the following sums of money have been paid out of the National Guard fund of Florida to the draft executive and his office force in connection with the Selective Service Law.

E. Anderson	June 1, 1917	\$ 13.60
	August 1, 1917	340.00
	Sept. 10, 1917	150.00
	October 6, 1917	150.00
	November 5, 1917	150.00
	December 3, 1917	150.00
	December 31, 1917	110.00
Mrs. E. H. Anderson	August 1, 1917	183.33
	Sept. 10, 1917	100.00
	October 6, 1917	100.00
	November 5, 1917	100.00
	December 3, 1917	100.00
M. Jackson	November 7, 1918	59.34
	December 2, 1918	80.00
	January 1, 1919	80.00
	February 6, 1919	80.00
M. L. Davis	January 1, 1919	100.00
	February 6, 1919	100.00
	March 8, 1919	100.00
Mrs. Nellie Ragsdale	April 4, 1919	80.00
W. B. Hopkins	April 4, 1919	100.00
Raymond Neidly		20.00
William T. Ward		25.00
Hunter S. Allen		15.00

The Adjutant General testified that "Section 111 of War Department Bulletin No. 16, dated 1916, and known as the National Defense Act, provides that upon the acceptance in the federal service of a commission by any person, officer or enlisted man who formerly was commissioned in the National Guard, stands automatically discharged from the organized militia of this State," and, further, that on June 23, 1917, "Major Anderson stood discharged from the organized militia of the State of Florida, by virtue of being a Federal officer, designated as Disbursing Officer for the Governor in the accomplishment of the S. S. Law." Major Anderson was

made Disbursing Officer for the State of Florida as previously stated, and assumed the duties of his office on July 1, 1917.

The appropriations for the National Guard of Florida for the year 1917 were for the following purposes:

Salary of Adjutant General.

Expenses of National Guard of Florida and Florida Naval Militia, including rent of armories, allowances, etc.

Expenses of Florida Naval Militia, including rents, allowances and cruises aboard vessels of U. S. Navy.

Caretaking and maintenance of State camp grounds.

Permanent improvements, State camp grounds.

Emergency appropriation for National Guard and Adjutant General in inspection of troops.

If the Adjutant General's testimony is a correct statement of the military law, then Major Anderson was not a National Guard officer of Florida; he, in the exercise of his duties as draft executive, was not performing the service for which he could be paid from the National Guard funds, and the issuance by the Adjutant General of vouchers in payment for services of Major Anderson was not authorized.

Captain Anderson takes the position that a Disbursing Officer may also, at the same time, be a member of the National Guard. The committee has not been furnished with nor has it had access to the laws referred to in Section 111 and regrets that it cannot quote the law governing this point.

We think it clear, however, as to the members of the office force of the draft executive, that the National Guard funds could not legally be used for the purpose of paying them. They were not working for the National Guard of Florida but for the Federal government. Moreover, the Federal government has made provision for the payment of clerical aid for the draft executive by virtue of the following order:

"When authorized by the Governor as prescribed in Section 198 hereof, there may be engaged and compensated at the rates of pay prescribed in this Section, clerical assistance as follows: (a) For State Headquarters: 1. One Chief Clerk. 2. Such additional clerks as may be certified by the Governor to be necessary in the execution of the Selective Service Law. (b) For District Boards:

1. One Chief Clerk. 2. One additional clerk for each 4,500 registrants within the jurisdiction of the District Board, or any fraction thereof in excess of 2,000. (c) For Local Boards: 1. One Chief Clerk, 2. One additional clerk of each 1,500 registrants within the jurisdiction of the Local Board, or any fraction of that number in excess of 700. (d) For Medical Advisory Boards: 1. One Chief Clerk. 2. One additional clerk. The rate of compensation for a chief clerk shall not exceed the rate paid for similar service under local law, in no case to exceed \$100 a month. The rate of compensation for additional clerks shall not exceed the rate paid for similar service under local law, in no case to exceed, for not more than one additional clerk of any District, Local, or Medical Advisory Board \$80.00 per month; for all other clerks in addition to the chief clerk and one additional clerk, \$60.00 per month. The qualifications of a chief clerk at \$100.00 per month shall include a knowledge of filing systems and office methods and competency as a first-class stenographer and typewriter. The qualifications for an additional clerk at \$80.00 per month shall include experience and competency as a bookkeeper. The qualifications for an additional clerk at \$60.00 per month shall include experience and competency as a stenographer, bookkeeper, copyist, or clerk. (e) Interpreters. Upon a certificate of a Local Board showing that the services of an Interpreter are necessary, and that it has been impossible to obtain the voluntary and gratuitous services of one, and also showing the approximate time such services are necessary, and the lowest rate of pay for which an interpreter can be obtained, the Governor may authorize the employment by Local Boards of necessary interpreters, limiting their employment to such number of hours per day, or such days per week, and also limiting the period of time within which they may be employed by a particular Local Board as he may deem for the best interests of the Government. The compensation which may be allowed to interpreters shall not exceed \$1.00 per hour or \$5.00 in any one day. These rates are maximum, and should be kept below the amount authorized whenever possible."

And also by preceding rules.

The Adjutant General was in error in issuing the vouchers in our opinion. He says that the persons for

whom issued were not appointed or recommended by him and that they were not performing services for the National Guard of Florida.

The Adjutant General justifies his position by saying that he was required by command of the Governor to sign the vouchers. That this statement is true is amply established by the testimony. The Governor, in stating how he made the Adjutant General sign the vouchers said: "I said you will have to sign them. I cannot get the money from the Comptroller without your signature. We have the money and cannot afford to have the draft of the State of Florida crippled by your refusing to sign these items, and you will have to do it. Gentlemen, he knew that he had to do it; he knew that I would hold up his pay if he didn't. So after that time he gave me no more trouble."

The Adjutant General says that he refused to sign one voucher in favor of Major Anderson for services of the Major at the rate of \$250.00 per month. He did, however, sign the vouchers in Major Anderson's favor for pay at the rate of \$150.00 per month and to Mrs. Anderson at the rate of \$100.00 per month and said that he considered that the latter were as illegal as the one he refused to sign. He stated that he felt he was bound to obey his superior even to the extent of violating the law of the land. The committee does not agree to this, but contends that the officer should uphold, protect and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Florida, regardless of any order of his superior. All vouchers pertaining to the military department are to be issued by him alone, and are to be approved by, and countersigned by, the Governor. The Adjutant General had been advised by legal counsel not to sign same, but this advice he ignored.

The Governor also, sought advice of Justice Whitfield as to certain phases of the draft work and seemed to be under the impression that he had been advised that it was proper to pay the above amounts from the National Guard Fund, but it rather appears to the committee that the advice given covered only the right of the Governor to order the Adjutant General and his force to Tallahassee in time of war, and did not refer specifically to the authority for paying out money for the services referred to. We think that the Governor was within his rights in ordering the Adjutant General to Tallahassee, but that he

was in error in requiring the Adjutant General to sign the vouchers referred to above.

We are of the opinion that the Judge Advocate for the State of Florida should be required to give legal and military advice to the Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of the State, and to the Adjutant General pertaining to military affairs. The opinions of a person trained both in military and civil law would be of great assistance to them in the solution of difficult and doubtful problems.

R. H. ROWE,
For the Senate.

E. R. B. KITE,
L. D. EDGE,

For the House of Representatives.
Committee.

By Consent—

Mr. Oliver introduced—
Senate Bill No. 458:

A bill to be entitled An Act constituting and defining Special Tax Road District No. 1 in Franklin County, Florida, and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of said Franklin County to issue certain interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of raising funds with which to open, lay out, establish, grade, replace, improve, pave and construct public roads and highways within said special tax road district No. 1; providing the rate of interest said warrants shall bear; the time and place when and where payable and providing for the levy of a special tax in road district No. 1 to pay the interest and create a sinking fund for the redemption of said warrants.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 458 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 458 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 458 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. 458 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Moore moved that the time for adjournment be extended to 5:25 o'clock p. m.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 765:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Waldo, in Alachua County, Florida, to legalize the ordinances of said town, and all official acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the City of Waldo, in Alachua County, Florida, to prescribe its boundaries and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 765 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 765 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 765 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. 765 was read a third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 771:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the authority and power of the Town Council of the Town of Chipley, Florida, in making and entering into certain contracts, and prescribing conditions under which certain contracts may be made.

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 771 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 771 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 771 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. 771 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 760:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate the assessments and levies of taxes for the years A. D., 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917, by the Town of Brooksville, Florida; and to legalize and validate the tax certificates and lists of certified lands held by the Town of Brooksville, Florida, for taxes assessed in the years A. D., 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917; and to provide for the enforcement of the collection thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 760 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 760 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 760 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. 760 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 762:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Florida, to refund to John High and others whose names were not placed on the primary election ballot for the primary held in Hamilton County in June, 1916, all the money that was paid by such candidates into the General Revenue Fund of the said County of Hamilton, as provided in Section 24, Chapter 6469, Acts of 1913.

Was taken up.

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 762 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 762 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 762 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. 762 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators, Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 759:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 46 of the Charter of the Town of Brooksville, Florida, providing for the collection of taxes in said Town of Brooksville.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 759 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 759 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 759 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. 759 was read a third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill, the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 767:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 7, 12, 13, 16, 21 of the Charter of the City of Miami, Florida, approved May 29h, 1915, same being An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the city of Miami in the County of Dade and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and incorporate, a city government for the City of Miami, to define its territorial boundaries; to

prescribe its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and for the exercise of the same, and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 767 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 767 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 767 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. 767 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, King, Lowry, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—22.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 768:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 7030, Acts of 1915, entitled An Act to protect the fish in the fresh waters of Holmes County, Florida, as amended by Chapter 7488, entitled An Act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 7030, Acts of 1915, entitled An Act to protect the fish in the fresh waters of Holmes County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Moore moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 768 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 768 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Moore moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 768 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. 768 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 Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hulley, Igou, King, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Stokes, Wilson—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 735 was taken up in its order, and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Igou moved that House Bill No. 745 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 745:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Leesburg, Florida, and approved by the Mayor of said city on the nineteenth day of May, A. D. 1919, providing for the issuance of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) of bonds of the City of Leesburg, Lake County, Florida, for public improvements; to declare and render valid said ordinance and all proceedings had thereunder, and all proceedings had in reference to the authorization and issuing of said bonds; and to validate and confirm said bonds and to legalize the levy of tax in said ordinance provided.

Was taken up.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 745 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 745 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 745 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. 745 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Russell, Stokes, Turner, Wilson—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

By consent—

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 377:

A bill to be entitled An Act creating State Auditing Districts of the State of Florida, providing for the appointment of a State Auditor, Assistant State Auditors and Auditing Clerk and fixing their duties, powers and compensation.

Have had same under consideration and return same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. TURNER BUTLER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 377, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By Consent—

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 27, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 394:

A bill to be entitled An Act to allow the State Auditor to employ two additional accountants, fixing their compensation and providing for their traveling expenses.

Have had same under consideration and return same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,
J. TURNER BUTLER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 394, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

The extended hour of adjournment having arrived—
The Senate stood adjourned to 10:30 o'clock a. m.
Wednesday, May 28, 1919.

Wednesday, May 28, 1919

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Stokes, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 27 was corrected and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Oliver, Chairman of the Committee on Banking, submitted the following report: