

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1931

The Senate convened at 11:00 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment on Thursday, April 16, 1931.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President; Senators Adams, Anderson, Andrews, Bell, Bradshaw, Butler, Caro, Chowning, Clarke, Council, Dell, English, Futch, Gary, Getzen, Gomez, Harris, Harrison, Hillburn, Hinely, Hodges, Howell, Irby, Johns, King, Knabb, Lewis, Neel, Parker, Parrish, Stewart, Swearingen, Taylor, Turner, Wagg, Watson—37.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of Thursday April 16, was corrected, and as corrected was approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

Senator Neel, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 34:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish and maintain a branch experiment station in or near Bushnell or Webster, Sumter County, Florida, to conduct a field research on laboratory problems; to make it the duty of the board of control to establish such branch stations and to provide for carrying on investigation thereat and appropriating money for the expense thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

RAY NEEL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 34, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Also—

Senator Hinely, Chairman of the Committee on Public Printing, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Printing, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 38:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1305 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to contracts for public printing the same being Section 1981 of the Compiled General Laws of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

S. A. HINELY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 38, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Also—

Senator Neel, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 125:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the establishment of a general branch Agricultural and Horticultural Experimental Station or Stations in that section of the State of Florida West of the Apalachicola River; to provide lands and funds therefor; to conduct field research on laboratory problems; to provide a location commission for same; to make the duty of the Board of Control to provide and carry on investigations thereat.

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

Very respectfully,

RAY NEEL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 125, with Committee Amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bill on second reading.

Also—

Senator Harris, Chairman of the Committee on Organized Labor, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Organized Labor, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 124:

A bill to be entitled An Act defining the practice of barbering and requiring a license or certificate of registration as a condition precedent to any person practicing barbering or acting as an apprentice barber and prescribing the terms and conditions upon which licenses or certificates of registration may be issued to any person to practice barbering or act as an apprentice barber in the State of Florida; creating the State Board of Barber Examiners and defining and declaring its powers and duties; regulating the practice of barbering or acting as apprentice barber by those licensed hereunder; regulating the operation of barber schools, prescribing a course of study for such schools and the requirements for graduation therefrom; imposing certain fees upon persons applying for licenses, or certificates of registration to practice barbering, act as apprentice barber or teach in barber schools in this State; and appropriating the proceeds thereof to accomplish the purposes of this Act; and prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act and regulations hereunder.

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

Very respectfully,

S. D. HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 124, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Also—

Senator Neel, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 94:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Comptroller of the State of Florida to refund to H. C. Lister, of Gulf County, Florida, the sum of ninety-four dollars and thirty-four cents (\$94.34) taxes erroneously paid on the west one-half (W $\frac{1}{2}$) of northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) and east one-half (E $\frac{1}{2}$) of northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$), Section seventeen (17), Township seven south (Twp. 7), Range eight (R8) west, for the years 1918, 1920, 1921 and 1922, and making appropriation therefor.

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

Very respectfully,

RAY NEEL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 94, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Also—

Senator Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 12:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 12312, Acts of 1927, Laws of the State of Florida, relating to making passable a certain road, to-wit: Road number 44.

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

Very respectfully,

PURL G. ADAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 12, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second reading.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

Senator Watson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate:

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments), after 2nd reading—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2:

A Joint Resolution proposing an Amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Florida relating to Taxation and Finance.

Have carefully examined same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. WATSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Joint Resolution No. 2, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Senate Bills on Third Reading.

Also—

Senator Watson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1931.

Hon. Pat Whitaker,
President of the Senate:

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments) after second reading—

Senate Bill No. 76:

Amending Section 256 of the Revised General Statutes of 1920, Laws of Florida, the same being Section 312 of the Compiled General Laws of Florida, relating to the Qualifications of Candidates in any General Election to be Held in the State of Florida.

Have carefully examined same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. WATSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 76, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

By Senator Stewart—

Senate Resolution No. 17:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

That, The Secretary to the President of the Senate, Miss Bassford, and Ed Stanley, Doorkeeper for the Gallery, be paid the regular per diem from the 7th day of April, A. D. 1931.

Which was read the first time in full.

Senator Stewart moved the adoption of the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Resolution No. 17 was adopted.

By Senator Getzen—

Senate Resolution No. 18:

WHEREAS, There has heretofore been referred to several Special Committees appointed by the President of the Senate on removals by the Governor of several County Officials, to investigate and report to the Senate on the suspension and removal of the several County Officials of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary, in order to conduct a thorough and intelligent investigation in connection with said suspension and removal, that said Committee be authorized and empowered to issue witness subpoenas and summons persons to appear before said Committees as witnesses and with authority to swear all witnesses and authority to require the production of papers and documents, and also to prescribe the rules of evidence governing said investigation and with authority to employ such clerical assistance and incur other necessary expenses in connection therewith as may be necessary in the conduct of said investigation, as well as authority to compel the attendance of persons or witnesses summoned before said committee, and also to fix the per diem and mileage of all persons summoned as witnesses for their attendance before said committee;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Senate of the State of Florida that the Special Committee appointed by the President of the Senate to investigate the suspension and removal of the several county officials of the State of Florida, are hereby empowered and authorized to issue subpoenas and summons persons to appear before said committee as witnesses, and with authority to require production of all papers and documents, and also to prescribe the rules and evidence governing said investigation and with authority to employ such clerical assistance in connection therewith as may be necessary to the conduct of said investigation, and to secure and have made photostatic or typewritten copies of all necessary charges, papers and other documents, as well as authority to compel the attendance of persons or witnesses summoned before said committee and also to fix the per diem and mileage of all persons summoned as witnesses for their attendance before said committee.

Which was read the first time in full.

Senator Getzen moved the adoption of the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Resolution No. 18 was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By the Joint Committee on Finance and Taxation of the House and Senate—

Senate Bill No. 155:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the levy of inheritance and estate taxes in the State of Florida, prescribing the rates of such taxes, and the method of computing and collecting same, providing for the enforcement thereof and for the disposition of revenues therefrom, and imposing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Which was read the first time by its title only.

Senator Wagg moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 155 be read a second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 155 was read a second time in full.

Senator Wagg moved that the rules be further waived and Senate Bill No. 155 be read a third time in full and put upon its final passage

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 155 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 Adams, Anderson, Andrews, Bell, Butler, Caro, Chowning, Clarke, Council, Dell, English, Futch, Gary, Getzen, Harrison, Hilburn, Hinely, Howell Irby, Johns, King, Knabb, Lewis, Neel, Parker, Parrish, Stewart, Taylor, Turner, Wagg, Watson—32.

Nays—Senators Bradshaw, Gomez, Harris, Hodges—4.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And Senate Bill No. 155 was ordered to be immediately

certified to the House of Representatives, the rule having been waived.

Senator Harrison moved that the rules be waived and that when the Senate adjourns it adjourn until 3:00 o'clock P. M., Monday, April 20, 1931.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And it was so ordered.

Senator Stewart moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon, the Senate stood adjourned at 12:55 o'clock P. M., until 3:00 o'clock P. M., April 20, 1931.