

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

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Tuesday, June 14, 1955

The Senate convened at 11:00 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment on Monday, June 13, 1955.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President	Connor	Johns	Pope
Baker	Douglas	Johnson	Rawls
Barber	Edwards	Kickliter	Rodgers
Beall	Floyd	King	Rood
Black	Fraser	Melvin	Shands
Bronson	Gautier (28th)	Morgan	Stenstrom
Cabot	Gautier (13th)	Morrow	Stratton
Carlton	Getzen	Neblett	Tapper
Carraway	Hodges	Pearce	
Clarke	Houghton	Phillips	

—38.

A quorum present.

The following Prayer was offered by the Senate Chaplain, Reverend E. E. Snow:

Eternal God, we invoke Thy blessing to rest upon the work of our Legislature this day. In this moment of reverent prayer we ask that Thou wilt make us aware of Thy Presence.

We bring to Thee especially this day the members of our Florida State Senate. Give them divine guidance so that their work may be well pleasing to Thee.

In this prayer many of us today would like to pledge anew our allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. And, so in the spirit of prayer, in Thy presence, we say: "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Amen.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Senate daily Journal of Monday, June 13, 1955, was corrected and as corrected was approved.

CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3-X(55) was taken up in its order and, by unanimous consent, the consideration thereof was informally passed.

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3-X was taken up in its order and, by unanimous consent, the consideration thereof was informally passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

Tallahassee, Florida,
June 14, 1955.

*The Honorable W. T. Davis,
President of the Senate.*

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed with amendment—

By the Committee on Reapportionment—

S. B. No. 9-X(55)—A bill to be entitled An Act to ap-

portion the representation in the Senate of the State of Florida.

Which amendment reads as follows:

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

Section 1. The representation of the people of the State of Florida in the Senate of the State of Florida, shall, from and after the sixth (6th) day of November, A. D. 1956, be apportioned as hereinafter set forth in this Act.

Section 2. There shall be thirty-eight (38) senatorial districts in the State of Florida which shall be each represented in the Senate of the State of Florida by one (1) senator, and be designated by numbers, and the said thirty-eight (38) districts shall be composed each of the counties mentioned and named after the respectively numbered districts as follows, to-wit:

First District—Santa Rosa County and Okaloosa County

Second District—Escambia County

Third District—Walton County, Holmes County and Washington County

Fourth District—Jackson County

Fifth District—Franklin County, Gulf County and Calhoun County

Sixth District—Gadsden County

Seventh District—Polk County

Eighth District—Leon County

Ninth District—Pasco County and Hernando County

Tenth District—Madison County and Taylor County

Eleventh District—Pinellas County

Twelfth District—St. Lucie County, Indian River County and Martin County

Thirteenth District—Dade County

Fourteenth District—Columbia County and Gilchrist County

Fifteenth District—Union County and Bradford County

Sixteenth District—Nassau County, Baker County and Clay County

Seventeenth District—Suwannee County, Hamilton County and Lafayette County

Eighteenth District—Duval County

Nineteenth District—Orange County

Twentieth District—Marion County

Twenty-first District—Sarasota County

Twenty-second District—Jefferson County; Wakulla County and Liberty County

Twenty-third District—Lake County

Twenty-fourth District—Monroe County

Twenty-fifth District—Bay County

Twenty-sixth District—Putnam County

Twenty-seventh District—Hardee County, Highlands County and DeSoto County

Twenty-eighth District—Volusia County

Twenty-ninth District—Charlotte County, Lee County, Hendry County and Collier County

Thirtieth District—Broward County

Thirty-first District—St. Johns County and Flagler County

Thirty-second District—Alachua County

Thirty-third District—Okeechobee County, Osceola County and Glades County

Thirty-fourth District—Hillsborough County

Thirty-fifth District—Palm Beach County

Thirty-sixth District—Manatee County

Thirty-seventh District — Seminole County and Brevard County

Thirty-eighth District—Levy County, Dixie County, Citrus County and Sumter County

Section 3. Those senators holding over in office shall, during that part of their respective terms of office succeeding the sixth (6th) day of November, A. D. 1956, each be deemed and held to be the senator representing the senatorial district embracing the county in which he resides; provided he shall not have removed his place of residence in the meantime from said senatorial district.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect on the sixth (6th) day of November, A. D. 1956, the same being the date of the next general election to be held in the State of Florida, at which election representatives in the various counties and senators to represent the odd numbered districts as herein described shall be elected.

Section 5. Chapter 10, Florida Statutes, is hereby repealed, —and respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Respectfully,

LAMAR BLEDSOE,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 9-X(55), contained in the above message, was read by title, together with the House Amendment thereto.

Senator Clarke moved that Senate Bill No. 9-X(55), together with the House Amendment thereto, be referred to an appropriate committee for study and recommendation.

Which was agreed to and Senate Bill No. 9-X(55), together with the House Amendment thereto, was referred to the Committee on Reapportionment.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6-X(55) was taken up in its order and, by unanimous consent, the consideration thereof was informally passed.

Senator Stratton moved that the Senate adjourn to reconvene at 11:00 o'clock, A. M., Friday, June 17, 1955.

Pending consideration of the motion made by Senator Stratton, Senator Morrow moved, as a substitute motion, that the Senate adjourn.

The question was put on the substitute motion.

A roll call was demanded.

Upon call of the roll on the substitute motion made by Senator Morrow, the vote was:

Yeas—17.

Barber	Gautier (28th)	Morrow	Stenstrom
Bronson	Gautier (13th)	Neblett	Tapper
Cabot	Houghton	Pope	
Carlton	Kicklitter	Rodgers	
Floyd	King	Rood	

Nays—21.

Mr. President	Connor	Johns	Rawls
Baker	Douglas	Johnson	Shands
Beall	Edwards	Melvin	Stratton
Black	Fraser	Morgan	
Carraway	Getzen	Pearce	
Clarke	Hodges	Phillips	

So the substitute motion failed of adoption.

The question recurred on the motion made by Senator Stratton.

A roll call was demanded.

Upon call of the roll on the motion made by Senator Stratton, the vote was:

Yeas—21.

Mr. President	Connor	Johns	Rawls
Baker	Douglas	Johnson	Shands
Beall	Edwards	Melvin	Stratton
Black	Fraser	Morgan	
Carraway	Getzen	Pearce	
Clarke	Hodges	Phillips	

Nays—17.

Barber	Gautier (28th)	Morrow	Stenstrom
Bronson	Gautier (13th)	Neblett	Tapper
Cabot	Houghton	Pope	
Carlton	Kicklitter	Rodgers	
Floyd	King	Rood	

So the motion made by Senator Stratton was adopted and the Senate stood adjourned at 11:18 o'clock A. M., until 11:00 o'clock A. M., Friday, June 17, 1955.