

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Wednesday, April 7, 1965

The Senate was called to order by the President at 11:00 A. M. The following Senators were recorded present:

Mr. President	Daniel	Johns	Roberts
Askew	Davis	Johnson (19th)	Ryan
Barber	Dressler	Johnson (6th)	Spottswood
Barron	Edwards	McCarty	Stratton
Bronson	Friday	McDonald	Tapper
Carlton	Gautier	McLaughlin	Thomas
Carraway	Gibson	Mapoles	Usher
Clarke	Griffin	Mathews	Whitaker
Cleveland	Haverfield	Melton	Williams
Covington	Henderson	Pearce	Young
Cross	Hollahan	Price	

43. A quorum present.

Excused: Senator Pope.

Prayer by the Reverend J. D. Bowen, Chaplain:

Our gracious heavenly Father, we pause at the beginning of this work session to praise and recognize thee as our chief good and great leader in business, government, and in all of life. We covet thy guidance for these thy servants of favored Florida. Grant them clear minds, warm hearts, and a vision of the needs of our beloved State. May their mistakes be few and their wisdom outstanding. We ask it all in Jesus' name and for his sake. Amen.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of April 6 was corrected and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

On motion of Senator Johnson (6th), the Report of the Committee on Rules and Calendar was deferred, with the exception of Rule 48, which was adopted:

STANDING COMMITTEES

Rule 48. Unless otherwise specifically ordered by the Senate, the President shall appoint, at the commencement of the Session, the following standing committees, viz.:

Agriculture, Oil and Natural Resources, to consist of nine members.

Appropriations, to consist of nineteen members.

Banking, to consist of nine members.

Building and Loan Associations, to consist of seven members.

Cities and Towns, to consist of seven members.

Citrus Fruits, to consist of fifteen members.

Claims, to consist of seven members.

Constitutional Amendments, to consist of thirteen members.

Corporations, to consist of seven members.

County Organizations, to consist of nine members.

Education—Higher Learning, to consist of eleven members.

Education—Public Schools and Junior Colleges, to consist of eleven members.

Finance and Taxation, to consist of seventeen members.

Forestry and Parks, to consist of eleven members.

Game and Fresh Water Fish, to consist of nine members.

General Legislation, to consist of nine members.

Governmental Reorganization, to consist of thirteen members.

Insurance, to consist of thirteen members.

Judiciary "A", to consist of seven members.

Judiciary "B", to consist of seven members.

Judiciary "C", to consist of seven members.

Labor and Industry, to consist of eleven members.

Legislative and Congressional Apportionment to consist of fifteen members.

Legislative Management and Population, to consist of seven members.

Livestock, to consist of nine members.

Mental Health, to consist of eleven members.

Miscellaneous Legislation, to consist of thirteen members.

Motor Vehicles, to consist of seven members.

Pensions and Retirement, to consist of nine members.

Prisons and Convicts, to consist of seven members.

Privileges and Elections, to consist of eleven members.

Public Health "A", to consist of eleven members.

Public Health "B", to consist of eleven members.

Public Roads and Highways, to consist of eleven members.

Public Utilities, to consist of nine members.

Resolutions and Memorials, to consist of seven members.

Rules and Calendar, to consist of seventeen members.

Salt Water Conservation, to consist of eleven members.

State Institutions, to consist of nine members.

Temperance, to consist of eleven members.

Transportation and Highway Safety, to consist of nine members.

Veterans Affairs, Aviation, Radio and Television, to consist of seven members.

Water Resources Development and Conservation, to consist of nine members.

Welfare, to consist of eleven members.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 48, the President announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the 1965 Regular Session:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, OIL AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Senator Griffin, Chairman; Senator Carlton, Vice Chairman; Senators Gibson, McDonald, Melton, Pearce, Price, Usher and Williams.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Carraway, Chairman; Senator Johns, Vice Chairman; Senators Askew, Bronson, Cross, Davis, Edwards, Hollahan, Johnson (19th), Johnson (6th), Mapoles, Melton, Pope, Price, Roberts, Ryan, Spottswood, Whitaker and Williams.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING

Senator Barber, Chairman; Senator Bronson, Vice Chairman; Senators Carraway, Clarke, Griffin, Hollahan, Johns, Johnson (6th) and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

Senator Thomas, Chairman; Senator Edwards, Vice Chairman; Senators Daniel, Gautier, Ryan, Price and Johnson (19th).

COMMITTEE ON CITIES AND TOWNS

Senator Dressler, Chairman; Senator Johnson (19th), Vice Chairman; Senators McCarty, Barron, Covington, Edwards and Barber.

COMMITTEE ON CITRUS FRUITS

Senator Covington, Chairman; Senator Griffin, Vice Chairman; Senators Barber, Bronson, Carlton, Cleveland, Daniel, Davis, Dressler, Gautier, Johnson (19th), McCarty, Price, Edwards and Young.

COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS

Senator Askew, Chairman; Senator Barron, Vice Chairman; Senators Mathews, Pope, Covington, McDonald and Young.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Senator Mathews, Chairman; Senator Johnson (6th), Vice Chairman; Senators Williams, Bronson, Clarke, Friday, Pearce, Johns, Cross, Gautier, Haverfield, Roberts and Edwards.

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

Senator Hollahan, Chairman; Senator Thomas, Vice Chairman; Senators Askew, Carraway, Daniel, Edwards and Dressler.

COMMITTEE ON COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS

Senator Tapper, Chairman; Senator Askew, Vice Chairman; Senators Gautier, Haverfield, Carraway, McCarty, Cleveland, Dressler and Henderson.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—HIGHER LEARNING

Senator Price, Chairman; Senator Whitaker, Vice Chairman; Senators Askew, Carraway, Cross, Gautier, Johnson (19th), Mapoles, Mathews, Stratton and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND JUNIOR COLLEGES

Senator Melton, Chairman; Senator Pope, Vice Chairman; Senators Cleveland, Daniel, Davis, Dressler, Friday, Hollahan, Johns, McCarty and McLaughlin.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND TAXATION

Senator Pearce, Chairman; Senator Friday, Vice Chairman; Senators Barber, Bronson, Clarke, Griffin, Haverfield, Johnson (6th), Mathews, Melton, Roberts, Ryan, Stratton, Thomas, Usher, Williams and Young.

COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY AND PARKS

Senator Gibson, Chairman; Senator Roberts, Vice Chairman; Senators Pearce, Haverfield, McLaughlin, Mapoles, Tapper, Usher, Carlton, Friday and Daniel.

COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FRESH WATER FISH

Senator McDonald, Chairman; Senator Mapoles, Vice Chairman; Senators Barron, Carlton, Davis, Friday, McLaughlin, Roberts and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL LEGISLATION

Senator Young, Chairman; Senator Covington, Vice Chairman; Senators Cross, Daniel, Henderson, Johnson (19th), Johnson (6th), Price and Stratton.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL REORGANIZATION

Senator Daniel, Chairman; Senator McCarty, Vice Chairman; Senators Cleveland, Whitaker, Haverfield, Johnson (19th), Carlton, Barber, Henderson, Pearce, Covington, Stratton and Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE

Senator Johns, Chairman; Senator Stratton, Vice Chairman; Senators Barron, Clarke, Gautier, Mathews, Pope, Ryan, Williams, Young, Daniel, McCarty and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "A"

Senator Gautier, Chairman; Senator Mathews, Vice Chairman; Senators Cleveland, Hollahan, Whitaker, Cross and Ryan.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "B"

Senator Mapoles, Chairman; Senator Pearce, Vice Chairman; Senators Spottswood, Johnson (6th), Bronson, Melton and Williams.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "C"

Senator Davis, Chairman; Senator Dressler, Vice Chairman; Senators Askew, Barron, Haverfield, Henderson and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Senator Stratton, Chairman; Senator Young, Vice Chairman; Senators Roberts, Price, Whitaker, Carlton, Johns, Henderson, Covington, Barron and Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT

Senator Williams, Chairman; Senator Carraway, Vice Chairman; Senators Johnson (6th), Melton, Bronson, Barber, Hollahan, Carlton, Friday, Whitaker, Spottswood, Gautier, McLaughlin, Pearce and Mathews.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT AND POPULATION

Senator Bronson, Chairman; Senator Williams, Vice Chairman; Senators Johns, Henderson, Roberts, Johnson (6th) and Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON LIVESTOCK

Senator McCarty, Chairman; Senator McDonald, Vice Chairman; Senators Bronson, Carlton, Mapoles, Barron, Johnson (6th), Usher and Griffin.

COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH

Senator Cross, Chairman; Senator McLaughlin, Vice Chairman; Senators Mapoles, Johnson (19th), Pope, Davis, Melton, Williams, Bronson, Barber and Spottswood.

COMMITTEE ON MISCELLANEOUS LEGISLATION

Senator Friday, Chairman; Senator Haverfield, Vice Chairman; Senators Clarke, Mathews, Melton, Pearce, Roberts, Ryan, Stratton, Williams, Johnson (6th), Usher and Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON MOTOR VEHICLES

Senator Henderson, Chairman; Senator Haverfield, Vice Chairman; Senators Cross, Tapper, Ryan, Usher and McDonald.

COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT

Senator Pope, Chairman; Senator Gautier, Vice Chairman; Senators Mapoles, Cross, Askew, Barron, Carraway, Dressler and Haverfield.

COMMITTEE ON PRISONS AND CONVICTS

Senator Edwards, Chairman; Senator Clarke, Vice Chairman; Senators McDonald, Price, Spottswood, Carraway and Thomas.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Senator Carlton, Chairman; Senator Davis, Vice Chairman; Senators Barber, Friday, Gautier, Griffin, McLaughlin, Ryan, Spottswood, Tapper and Usher.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH "A"

Senator Haverfield, Chairman; Senator Price, Vice Chairman; Senators Johnson (19th), McDonald, Edwards, Griffin, Mathews, Tapper, Askew, Young and McCarty.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH "B"

Senator Whitaker, Chairman; Senator Henderson, Vice Chairman; Senators Ryan, Cross, Davis, McLaughlin, Mapoles, Roberts, Gibson, Usher and Covington.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

Senator Usher, Chairman; Senator Spottswood, Vice Chairman; Senators Tapper, Carraway, Griffin, Johnson (6th), Barber, Johns, Friday, Cleveland and Edwards.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

Senator Clarke, Chairman; Senator Cleveland, Vice Chairman; Senators Covington, Cross, McCarty, Pearce, Spottswood, Stratton and Tapper.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS

Senator Ryan, Chairman; Senator Hollahan, Vice Chairman; Senators Gibson, Stratton, Tapper, Young and Cleveland.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND CALENDAR

Senator Johnson (6th), Chairman; Senator Cross, Vice Chairman; Senators Friday, Gautier, Melton, Pearce, Pope, Spottswood, Williams, Johns, Roberts, Griffin, Bronson, Hollahan, Carraway, Barber and Tapper.

COMMITTEE ON SALT WATER CONSERVATION

Senator Spottswood, Chairman; Senator Tapper, Vice Chairman; Senators Davis, Friday, Hollahan, McCarty, McLaughlin, Mapoles, Thomas, Usher and Young.

COMMITTEE ON STATE INSTITUTIONS

Senator McLaughlin, Chairman; Senator Melton, Vice Chairman; Senators Carlton, Mapoles, Pope, Barber, Cleveland, Williams and Ryan.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

Senator Roberts, Chairman; Senator Daniel, Vice Chairman; Senators McLaughlin, Stratton, Johns, Johnson (6th), Bronson, Melton, Clarke, Pearce and Williams.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY SAFETY

Senator Johnson (19th), Chairman; Senator Barber, Vice Chairman; Senators Askew, Hollahan, Henderson, Pearce, Usher, Mathews and Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS, AVIATION, RADIO AND TELEVISION

Senator Bronson, Chairman; Senator Ryan, Vice Chairman; Senators Barron, McDonald, Melton, Mathews and Whitaker.

COMMITTEE ON WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION

Senator Cleveland, Chairman; Senator Usher, Vice Chairman; Senators Daniel, Dressler, Friday, Griffin, Johns, Roberts and Whitaker.

COMMITTEE ON WELFARE

Senator Barron, Chairman; Senator Gibson, Vice Chairman; Senators McCarty, McDonald, Whitaker, Pope, Griffin, Askew, Dressler, Henderson and Covington.

INTRODUCTION

By Senator Cross—

SB 1—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; authorizing establishment of a junior college in Alachua county; making an appropriation for expenses involved in organizing the junior college; appropriating additional funds for operation of the junior college; appropriating additional funds for purposes of capital outlay for construction of buildings and purchase of equipment at the new junior college; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Education—Public Schools and Junior Colleges; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cross—

SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings and records; formal actions to be taken in open meetings; requiring records to be open to public inspection; providing penalty; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Judiciary "B" and Governmental Reorganization.

By Senator Cross—

SB 3—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation; levying an excise tax on the severance of all solid minerals; prescribing tax rate and manner of collection and administration; prescribing procedure for paying the taxes; providing effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Agriculture, Oil and Natural Resources; and Judiciary "B".

By Senator Johns—

SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act amending the state fire insurance trust fund excluding state road department prison camps from the provisions of chapter 284, Florida Statutes, by adding section 284.16; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Insurance and State Institutions.

By Senator Whitaker—

SB 5—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the board of commissioners of state institutions, appropriation; providing a supplement to the appropriation in item 65, section 5(b), chapter 63-300, Laws of Florida, for the construction of a state board of health regional laboratory building at Tampa; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time by title and referred to the Committees on Appropriations and State Institutions.

By Senator Whitaker—

SJR 6—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 9C of Article V of the Florida Constitution to provide for separate offices of the State Attorney of the Thirteenth (13th) Judicial Circuit and Prosecuting Attorney or County Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record of Hillsborough County; providing for appointment of assistants and prescribing duties and powers; providing for apportionment of appropriated funds by County Commissioners; providing that informations now pending shall not be invalidated; providing an effective date.

Was read the first time in full and referred to the Committees on Appropriations and Constitutional Amendments.

By Senators Thomas, Askew, Barber, Barron, Bronson, Carlton, Carraway, Clarke, Cleveland, Connor, Covington, Cross, Daniel, Davis, Dressler, Edwards, Friday, Gautier, Gibson, Griffin, Haverfield, Henderson, Hollahan, Johns, Johnson (19th), Johnson (6th), McCarty, McDonald, McLaughlin, Mapoles, Mathews, Melton, Pearce, Pope, Price, Roberts, Ryan, Spottswood, Stratton, Tapper, Usher, Whitaker, Williams and Young—

SCR 7—A concurrent resolution commending a lifelong dedication to public service of the late and Honorable J. Edwin Larson.

WHEREAS, the career of J. Edwin Larson was a magnificent story of love and devotion to public service for all the people of the State of Florida, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson, during his long and varied service to Florida, was greatly respected, revered and admired for his ability, humility, firmness and sincerity, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson was recognized by the United States Senate as the outstanding insurance commissioner in the United States, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson, because of his awareness and concern for the safety of the people of Florida in industry, home, schools, and on the highways, was renowned as "Mr. Safety," and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson's humanitarian interest in retarded children was instrumental in the establishment of the Sunland Training Center in Dade County, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson was a loyal and outstanding Democrat, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson was Dean of the Florida Cabinet at his untimely demise, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson's keen interest in education was the guiding force in his untiring work on the bond issue for the new state university, and

WHEREAS, J. Edwin Larson spent his life so unselfishly on behalf of all the people of Florida that his name should be commemorated for the tremendous energy given in his devotion to public service, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Florida make this public record of the life and achievements of this great citizen:

IN MEMORIAM

J. EDWIN LARSON

GOOD—Live for something. Do good and leave behind you a monument of virtue that the storm of time can never destroy. Write your name in kindness, love, and mercy on the hearts of thousands you come in contact with year by year; you will never be forgotten. No, your name, your deeds will be as legible on the hearts you leave behind as the stars on the brow of evening. Good deeds will shine as the stars of heaven.
—Chalmers.

J. Edwin Larson, 16th Treasurer of the State of Florida, was born June 27, 1900, in Brookston, Pennsylvania. He came to Florida in June, 1923, two days after graduating from Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania, with a bachelor's degree in business administration and accounting. He later received a law degree from the University of Florida.

Mr. Larson was one of a number of Pennsylvanians who developed Keystone Heights in Clay County during the 1920's. He remained in Keystone Heights, serving as Mayor for three years, as principal of the high school for three years, and as a member of the Clay County Commission for two years.

He represented Clay County in the 1929 and 1931 House of Representatives, and the 29th Senatorial District—Clay and Baker Counties—in the 1933 Senate. He resigned as Senator to accept appointment by President Roosevelt as Collector of Internal Revenue for Florida, serving six years from August, 1933.

Mr. Larson was elected State Treasurer in 1940, and was reelected for successive four-year terms thereafter.

He received the national recognition of being elected president of the three associations covering the administrative fields of his State office: the National Association of Securities Administrators, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, and the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers.

Mr. Larson was a Methodist. He was a 33rd Honorary Degree Mason. In 1960-61, he was Grand Master of Masons for Florida. Previously, he had been Patron of the Grand Chapter of Florida, Order of the Eastern Star. He was a member of Morocco Temple of the Shrine. He also was a member of the Elks, Moose, Odd Fellows and Kiwanis, Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity, and Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity. He received the U. S. Marine Corps National Defense Award and the American Legion Department of Florida Merit Citation. He was Florida Chairman in 1956 and 1957 of the Crusade for Freedom.

Mr. Larson is survived by his wife, the former Clara Busard of Keystone Heights, and three daughters: Mrs. Leland J. Clowers (Wilda Rachel) of Tallahassee, Mrs. Louis Fischer (Betty Jane) of Miami, and Mrs. Dana Johnson (Clara Edwina) with her husband, a United States Air Force officer. Mrs. Larson resides at 618 Hillcrest Avenue in Tallahassee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Legislature of the State of Florida, by means of this concurrent resolution, express our sorrow at the death of J. Edwin Larson and humbly express our appreciation for the contributions he made to both his state and country.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mrs. J. Edwin Larson, widow of the deceased, and to members of his immediate family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the pages of the journal of the Senate and the journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Florida and made a permanent record of this Legislature.

THE GREATEST MAN is he who chooses the right with invincible resolution; who resists the sorest temptations from within and without; who bears the heaviest burdens cheerfully; who is calmest in storms, and most fearless under menace and frowns; and whose reliance on truth, on virtue, and on God, is most unfaltering.

—Channing.

Was read the first time in full. On motion of Senator Thomas, the rules were waived by two-thirds vote, SCR 7 was read the second time in full, unanimously adopted, and certified to the House immediately, by waiver of the rule.

Senator Ed H. Price, Jr., Chairman of the Special Commission for Study of the Abolition of Death Penalty in Capital Cases, created by Chapter 63-362, Acts of 1963, was granted permission to present to the Senate the Report of the Commission, which Report was ordered filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Senator Pearce, it was ordered that all bills, local and general, pertaining to finance and taxation, be referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

On motion of Senator Carraway, it was ordered that all bills, local and general, requiring an appropriation from the general revenue fund, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Senator Spottswood, it was ordered that all bills, local and general, pertaining to salt water conservation and fishing, sport and commercial, be referred to the Committee on Salt Water Conservation.

On motion of Senator Johnson (6th), the Senate stood adjourned at 11:55 A.M., until 11:00 A.M., April 8, 1965.