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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 4, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Rules begs to make the following report:

Your Committee recommends that the Rules of the Senate as adopted by the session of 1921 be adopted and become the rules of the Senate for the session of 1923, with the following amendment:

That Rule No. 4, under the title of "Committees," be amended to read as follows:

1. Unless otherwise specially ordered by the Senate, the President of the Senate shall appoint at the commencement of the session the following standing committees, viz:

On Audit and Control of Legislative Expenditure, to consist of five members.

On Appropriations, to consist of nine members.

On Re-forestation and Agriculture, to consist of seven members.

On Banking, to consist of five members.

On Capitol, State Buildings and Grounds, to consist of five members.

On Cities and Towns, to consist of five members.

On Constitutional Amendments, to consist of five members.

On Commerce and Navigation, to consist of seven members.

On Claims, to consist of five members.

On Corporations, to consist of five members.

On County Organization, to consist of five members.

On Drainage, to consist of five members.

On Education, to consist of seven members.

On Engrossed Bills, to consist of five members.
On Enrolled Bills, to consist of five members.
On Executive Communications, to consist of five members.
On Finance and Taxation, to consist of nine members.
On Game and Fisheries, to consist of seven members.
On Insurance, to consist of five members.
On Judiciary "A," to consist of nine members.
On Judiciary "B," to consist of nine members.
On Mining and Mill Resources, to consist of five members.
On Military Affairs, to consist of five members.
On Miscellaneous Legislation, to consist of nine members.
On Organized Labor, to consist of five members.
On Pensions, to consist of five members.
On Public Printing, to consist of five members.
On Public Utilities, to consist of five members.
On Privileges and Elections, to consist of five members.
On Prisons and Convicts, to consist of five members.
On Public Roads and Highways, to consist of nine members.
On Public Health, to consist of five members.
On Rules and Procedure, to consist of five members.
On State Institutions, to consist of five members.
On Temperance, to consist of five members.
Your committee further recommends that Rule No. 13 be amended to read as follows:

1. No rule shall be changed or suspended except by vote of two-thirds of the members voting, a quorum being present.

And that Rule No. 10 be amended to read as follows:

1. When a question has been decided by the Senate, any Senator voting with the prevailing side may, on the same day or on the next day of the session thereafter, move a reconsideration thereof, and such motion (except during the last seven calendar days of the session) shall be placed first in the order of the day for the day succeeding that on which the motion was made; and if the Senate shall refuse to consider or upon reconsideration shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order, unless by unanimous consent.

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Johnson moved that the report be adopted.
Which was agreed to.

The Senate Committee to wait upon the Governor to inform him that the Senate had accepted the invitation of the House of Representatives to meet in Joint Session to receive him, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them and were discharged.

The hour of eleven o'clock A. M. having arrived, the Senate proceeded in a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives and were received by the House.

JOINT SESSION OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Senate and House of Representatives merged into a joint body at 11 o'clock A. M.

President of the Senate, Hon. Theo. T. Turnbull, in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Butler, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Eaton, Epperson, Etheredge, Hodges, Igou, Johnson, Knabb, Knight, Lindsey, MacWilliams, Malone, Mapoles, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Stokes, Taylor, Wells, Wicker—31.

A quorum present.

The roll of the members of the House of Representatives was called and the following members of the House answered to their names:

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Acree, Adams, Bell, Bishop, Bludworth, Brock, Bryant, Bullard, Busto, Byrd, Carmichael, Carroll, Davis, Dew, Epperson, Ferrell, Fletcher, Geiger, Getzen, Giles, Gregory, Griffin, Hale, Harper, Harris, Harvell, Henderson, Hendry, Hinson, Hocker, Jones, Kennerly, Knowles, Lake, Lewis, Lord, Mahr, Matthews (Alachua), Matthews (Bradford), Mayo, Mays, Mercer, Merchant, Milam, Miller, McCall, McClellan, MacKenzie (Lake), McKenzie (Putnam), McLeran, McNeill, McRae, Nolte, Ogilvie, Parrish, Peiper, Pinholster, Powers, Regis-

ter, Rivers, Shear, Shelly, Smith, Stokes, Stuart, Taylor (Highlands), Taylor (Hillsborough), Tervin, Tillman, Ulmer, Van Roy, Wade, Weaver, Weeks, Weidling, Wetherington (Hamilton), Whitty, Willard, Williams (Hardee), Williams (Leon), Witherington (Orange), Witt, Young—84.

A quorum present.

The Chair announced the organization of the Joint Body.

Senator Malone, of the 24th District, moved that a committee of three be appointed, one of said committee to be appointed by the President of the Senate and two of said committee to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to notify the Governor that the Legislature in Joint Session and the Joint Body was ready to receive him.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senator Malone on said committee on the part of the Senate.

The Speaker appointed Messrs Stuart and Taylor as members of the said committee on the part of the House of Representatives.

The committee withdrew to notify the Governor that the Joint Body stood ready to receive him.

The committee to notify the Governor that the Legislature of the State of Florida was ready to receive him appeared at the bar of the House of Representatives and reported the performance of their mission.

The Governor appeared and was received by the Joint Body and was presented to the body by the presiding officer.

The Governor delivered his address as follows: