

Monday, May 11, 1925

The Senate convened at 4 P. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Daily Journal of May 8th was corrected, and as corrected, was approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 215:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create the Department of Game and Fresh Water Fish, and the position of State Game Commissioner, to define his duties and powers, to fix his compensation and that of his deputies; to regulate

the taking of fresh water fish and the fresh water fishing industry; to license hunters and certain fishermen; to provide for the prosecution of persons violating this Act, and a penalty and rule of evidence in such prosecutions, and for the destruction of certain fishing devices unlawfully used or maintained; to provide for the loan and collection of funds to carry out the provisions of this Act, and for the distribution of the surplus revenues accruing thereunder.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. PHILLIPS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 215 contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Turner, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 110:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish a Board for the examination and licensing of persons practicing Podiatry within the State of Florida; to define its duties and powers; to regulate the issuance of licenses to practice Podiatry; to define what is Podiatry; to fix fees for licenses issued by said Board; to provide for the revocation of licenses and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this Act.

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

Very respectfully,

J. W. TURNER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 110, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Turner, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 287:

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate and define the practice of Cosmetic Therapy; to create and provide for the appointment of a Board of Examiners of Cosmetic Therapy; to define the powers and duties of said Board and to provide a penalty for the violation of this Act.

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

Very respectfully,

J. W. TURNER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 287, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler moved that Senate Bill No. 326 be recalled from the Calendar, and that it be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill was so withdrawn and recommitted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Phillips—

Senate Bill No. 386:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require all officers of

the law engaged in policing traffic on the public highways outside the limits of incorporated cities and towns, in this State, to wear, while on duty, a police uniform and badge of authority; and to provide for enforcement and punishment for any violation thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 386 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 386, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 386 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 386, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Smith—

Senate Bill No. 387:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of W. C. Thompson of McClenny, Baker County, Florida.

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

By Mr. Smith—

Senate Bill No. 388:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create and establish a State Orphanage and making appropriations therefor.

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

By Mr. Etheredge—
Senate Bill No. 389:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida, to issue and sell notes, certificates of indebtedness or bonds of said county, in an amount not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of providing funds with which to complete the construction of a jail for said county, and for the purpose of improving the grounds purchased by said county upon which the said jail is located.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 389 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 389, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 389 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 389, with title above state, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Walker—
Senate Bill No. 390:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 49, Article 6, of Chapter 7128, Laws of Florida of 1915, providing the amount of taxes that may be levied by the City of Apalachicola, a municipal corporation.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Walker moved that the rules be waived and that

Senate Bill No. 390 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 390, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Walker moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 390 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 390, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner Walker, Watson, Wicker—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Walker—

Senate Bill No. 391:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Franklin County, Florida, to issue and sell or exchange for outstanding bonds not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars of bonds in said county to be known as Franklin County Road Bonds for the purpose of completing and constructing a system of good roads throughout said county, and of refunding and retiring all outstanding road bonds of said county or any special road and bridge district thereof; authorizing the levy of a special road tax on all taxable property of said county for the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay the principal and interest of any bonds so issued; authorizing the payment out of a sinking fund so created of the principal and interest of any road bonds of the county or of any special road and bridge district thereof now outstanding and which may not be retired by substitution of bonds hereby authorized as herein provided; providing for the manner of issuance and sale of the said bonds and the disposition of the proceeds there-

of; providing the time of maturity and rate of interest of the said bonds.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Walker moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 391 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 391, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Walker moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 391 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 391, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Huges—

Senate Bill No. 392:

A bill to be entitled An Act declaring, designating and establishing a system of state roads, providing for the location thereof, providing that such roads when located and constructed shall become and be the property of the State, and providing the time when work shall begin upon said roads.

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

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 393:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said County in a sum or sums not to exceed in

the aggregate Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct and improve certain roads and bridges in County Commissioner's District No. 3 in said County, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 393 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 393, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 393 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 393, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 394:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said county in a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct and improve certain roads and bridges in County Commissioner's District No. 2 in said county, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 394 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 394, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 394 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 394, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Knight—

Senate Bill No. 395:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering Bradford County, Florida, to issue bonds for the purpose of hard-surfacing that part of the road known as the Lake City to Palatka Short Route which lies within the limits of said county and grading, hard-surfacing and improving other roads in said county and investing the Board of Bond Trustees with the same powers and duties as were granted them under Chapter 8622, Special Acts of 1921, and empowering said board to call special elections of the qualified voters of said county concerning such road improvement bonds.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Knight moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 395 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 395, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Knight moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 395 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 395, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Messrs. Knight and Smith—

Senate Bill No. 396:

A bill to be entitled An Act Declaring, Designating, and Establishing State Road No. 51; providing for the location thereof, and providing that such road, when located and constructed, shall become and be the property of the State.

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

By Messrs. Knight and Smith—

Senate Bill No. 397:

A bill to be entitled An Act declaring, designating and establishing State Road No. 50; providing for the location thereof, and providing that said road, when located and constructed, shall become and be the property of the State.

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

By Mr. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 398:

A bill to be entitled An Act declaring, designating and establishing a system of State Roads, providing for the location thereof, providing that such roads when located and constructed shall become and be the property of the State, providing the time when work shall begin upon said roads and providing for the annual expenditures for same.

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

By Mr. Hale—
Senate Bill No. 399:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and making it the duty of the tax assessors of the several counties of this State to apportion assessments for drainage and the enlargement, repair and maintenance of public drains built or maintained under any drainage district created by Special Act of the Legislature of Florida, or organized under the Laws of Florida, to property held in separate ownership by reason of the subsequent subdivision or platting of any lands included in any such drainage district, and making such separate parcels of land liable for a proportionate share of the assessment against such parcels of land as a whole, upon the basis of the number of square feet contained in any such separate parcels.

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

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

House Memorial No. 6:

A memorial to the Congress of the United States of America asking that the preliminary examination and survey of the eastern section of the proposed Atlantic-Mississippi Canal be authorized, from Apalachicola, Florida, via Saint George's Sound, and across the northern portion of Florida to Fernandina, Florida, on Cumberland Sound.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

Mr. Walker moved to adopt the Memorial.

Which was agreed to.

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

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

By permission—

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9:

Whereas, Hon. Duncan U. Fletcher, senior United States Senator from Florida, is a distinguished visitor at Tallahassee; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring. That Senator Fletcher be, and he is hereby, invited to address the Legislature, and the public generally,

at a mass meeting, on such subject as he may select, at 8:30 o'clock on Tuesday night, May 12, in the hall of the House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to Senator Fletcher.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Phillips moved to waive the rules and that the resolution be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Phillips moved to adopt the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

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

Mr. Hodges moved that the Senate do now go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering matters before such session.

Which was agreed to.

And at 4:46 o'clock P. M., the doors were closed and the Senate proceeded with executive matters.

The doors were opened at 5:01 o'clock P. M.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Seales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

A quorum present.

The following communication from the Governor was received:

State of Florida,
Executive Department,
Tallahassee, May 9, 1925

*Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate,
Capitol,*

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. 23):

An Act to amend Section 3213 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to quieting title and removing clouds from title to real estate.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 90):

An Act to empower County Judges in the exercise of jurisdiction as judges of the juvenile court to issue compulsory process for the attendance of witnesses and to provide for the service thereof and the payment of the costs of same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 159):

An Act to extend the corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, by annexing thereto certain portions of the territory now included within the corporate limits of the Town of Coronado Beach, and to confer other powers upon the City of New Smyrna, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 160):

An Act authorizing and empowering Volusia County, Florida, to purchase the Coronado bridge across the Indian River North, formerly the Hillsborough River, in Volusia County, Florida; authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable Interest-bearing time warrants of said county for such purpose, and also to repair, improve, rebuild and maintain said bridge, and construct and hard surface and earthen embankment from Canal Street in New Smyrna to the west approach of said bridge, including construction of timber trestle bridges where deemed necessary; and authorizing and empowering the said Board of County Commissioners of said County to fix and collect tolls and charges thereon.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 170):

An Act to amend Chapter 9303, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923, relating to the duties of pilot commissioner, the examination and number of pilots.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 214) :

An Act making provisions for an election in Escambia County to determine whether the proceeds of \$150,000.00 (and interest) of the bonds authorized by the election held in said county September 29, 1920, designated in the resolution calling said election as applicable to paving and hardsurfacing the county road from Pensacola to the bridge site at or near Ferry Pass, shall not now be used and applied in constructing, paving or hardsurfacing that portion of State Road No. 1 which is to extend from the bridge now being built across Escambia River at or near Ferry Pass into the City of Pensacola as such portion of said State Road No. 1 may now or hereafter be routed and constructed; providing the duties of the County Commissioners, Tax Collector and Supervisor of Registration of said county with respect thereto, authorizing the payment of poll taxes prior to said election, prescribing the form of ballot therefor, providing for returns of such election and the canvass thereof, and prescribing the powers and duties of said County Commissioners with respect to the construction of said road and the use of said \$150,000.00 proceeds of bonds (with interest) in paying for construction work thereon in the event the result of said election shall be in favor of the use of said funds in the construction of the portion of said State Road No. 1 hereinbefore mentioned.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 216) :

An act to secure and enforce the rights and interests of the State of Florida in the construction, maintenance and operation of the canal or waterway constructed and operated by the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation Company.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 261) :

An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of New Port Richey in the County of Pasco, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of New Port Richey in Pasco County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of New Port Richey and official acts, and to adopt the same as those of said City of New

Port Richey; to prescribe the time within which suits can be brought against said city and for notice thereof; to fix and provide the territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers of said city and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers; to validate all contracts of said Town of New Port Richey; to authorize said city to assess street improvement now in progress against the abutting property and to issue special improvement bonds to be paid for by street assessments.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 265):

An Act in relation to Special Road and Bridge District Number 13, of Polk County, Florida, validating and confirming the proceedings to create such district and to issue bonds thereof to the amount of \$325,000.00 and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the said amount.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 271):

An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners of counties which have a population of more than two thousand four hundred and forty (2,440) and not more than two thousand five hundred (2,500) according to the Federal Census of 1920, and which had a total assessed valuation of one million, eight hundred twenty-seven thousand, no hundred twenty-three (\$1,827,023.00) dollars.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 272):

An Act permitting the Board of County Commissioners of counties which have a population of more than two thousand four hundred and forty (2,440) and not more than two thousand and five hundred (2,500) according to the federal census of 1920, and which had a total assessed valuation of one million eight hundred twenty-seven thousand no hundred and twenty-three dollars (\$1,827,023.00) to levy a millage not to exceed ten (10) mills for the general funds of said county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 276):

An Act to amend and re-enact the charter of the City of Miami in the County of Dade, and to fix the boundaries

and provide for the government, powers and privileges of said city and means for exercising the same; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of ordinances; and to ratify certain acts and proceedings of the Commission and of the officers of the city.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 281):

An Act to approve, legalize, ratify, confirm and validate all the Acts and proceedings of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, and its City Commission, other officers and agents, in relation to the annexation of certain tracts of land lying contiguous to the territorial limits of said city, within the same County, to-wit, Volusia County, and granting to said city all of the public property, rights, franchises, easements, streets, roads and public highways located and dedicated, acquired, laid out, platted and conveyed to the public in all the territory so annexed.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 282):

An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest bearing time warrants of said City in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) Dollars, in such denomination as said City Commission may deem proper; to mature at a time not longer than ten years from the date of issuance, and to bear interest not to exceed eight per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of raising funds with which to extend the sanitary sewerage system of the said City of New Smyrna, Florida; to provide the manner of execution and sale of said warrants; and to provide for the payment thereof and the raising of funds for such payment.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 283):

An Act ratifying, confirming, validating and legalizing the assessments, valuations of properties and levies of taxes by the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, for the years A. D. 1923 and 1924, and authorizing the collection of said taxes in manner provided by law.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 284) :

An Act to authorize and empower the City of New Smyrna, Florida, to levy a Special Tax, not exceeding one-half mill upon the real and personal property therein, for the purpose of maintaining a Public Library in said City.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 285) :

An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said city in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars, in such denomination as the said City Commission may deem proper; to mature at a time not longer than twenty (20) years from the date of issuance; and to bear a rate of interest not exceeding eight per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct a river front park within the corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna, Florida; to provide the manner of execution and sale of said warrants; and to provide for the payment thereof and the raising of funds for such payment.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 297) :

An Act to approve, legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, and its City Commission, other officers and agents, in relation to the calling and holding of a special election in said city for the issuance of bonds of said city in the sum of seventy thousand (\$70,000.00) dollars for water works and for the issuance of bonds of said city in the sum of three hundred and twenty thousand (\$320,000.00) dollars for paving and drainage, and to approve, legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, and its City Commission, other officers and agents, taken for the issuance of said bonds, provided for in Ordinance No. 142, duly passed on final passage by the City Commission of said city on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1924, and formally approved by the mayor of said city on said date,

and subsequent ordinances and resolutions relating to the issuance of said bonds, and to authorize and empower said city, by its City Commission to issue and sell said bonds, and to make all of said bonds when duly issued, sold and delivered, valid and binding obligations of said city, and to legalize, ratify and validate said bonds, and to provide the manner of execution of said bonds, and interest coupons attached thereto, and to provide for the payment thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 302):

An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said City in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate Sixty Thousand (\$60,000.00) Dollars, in such denomination as said City Commission may deem proper; to mature at a time not longer than ten years from the date of issuance, and to bear interest not to exceed eight per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of raising funds with which to enlarge, extend and maintain the present water plant and distribution system, to supply the said City and its inhabitants with water; to provide the manner of execution and sale of said warrants; and to provide for the payment thereof and the raising of funds for such payment.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 319):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Auburndale, in Polk County, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of Auburndale, Polk County, Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. MARTIN,

Governor.

Mr. Singletary moved that House Bill No. 231 be recalled from the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the bill was recalled from the Committee.

Mr. Singleary moved to waive the rules and that House Bill No. 231 be now taken up for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 231:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida to sell the moss from any lands belonging to the State of Florida, including sovereignty lands, and providing that the proceeds from such sales shall be paid into the State School Fund.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Singletary moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 231 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 231, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Singletary moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 231 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 231, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Calkins, Clark, Coc, Colon, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Himely, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed title as stated.

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

United States Senator from Florida, Hon. Duncan U. Fletcher, was invited to the courtesies of the Senate floor, and Mr. Calkins appointed a committee of one to escort the distinguished visitor to a seat beside the President.

Mr. Hale moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 696 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 696:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate all acts and proceedings in connection with the authorization,

issuance and sale of \$1,330,000 bonds of Pasco County, Florida, including the election held in said county on April 8, 1925, upon the question of issuing said bonds, and legalizing and validating said bonds.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Hale moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 696 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 696, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Hale moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 696 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 696, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By permission—

Mr. Colson introduced—

Senate Bill No. 400:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County of Alachua to levy a special tax for publicity purposes and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Colson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 400 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 400, with title above stated, was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Colson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 400 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 400, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the Same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By permission—

Mr. Hodges introduced—

Senate Bill No. 401:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4499 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to authority to incorporate, and manner of incorporation, of corporations not for profit.

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

By permission—

Mr. Hodges introduced—

Senate Bill No. 402:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the creation, maintenance and regulation of summer schools for teachers and other students in this State.

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

By permission—

Mr. Hodges introduced—

Senate Bill No. 403:

A bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for the Ex-Confederate Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, in Duval County, Florida, and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

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

Mr. Wicker moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order Senate Bill No. 380 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 380:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1, of Article 2, of Chapter 9950, of the Special Acts of the Legislature of 1923, being An Act creating a municipality known and designated as the City of Bushnell and defining its territorial boundries and jurisdiction, and providing that said chapter and the provisions thereof apply to, be binding upon and enforceable against new territory included herein and providing for the regulation of the filing of plats or maps of land within or contiguous to the city limits of the city of Bushnell.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Wicker moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 380 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 380, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Wicker moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 380 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 380, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor, (31st Dist.) Turnbull, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-
TIVES.

The following message from the House of Representa-
tives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform
the Senate that the House of Representatives has
adopted—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 16:

Be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the
Senate concurring, That Honorable Duncan U. Fletcher be,
and he is hereby, invited to address the Legislature in the
House of Representatives at 5:30 o'clock P. M. Monday,
May the 11th, 1925.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate
thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 16, contained in
the above message, was read the first time and the consider-
ation of the same was informally passed over.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representa-
tives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform
the Senate that the House of Representatives requests the
Senate to return to the House of Representatives—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 16 :
Relative to invitation to Senator Fletcher to address the
legislature this afternoon.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate
thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Calkins, the request was granted.

And House Concurrent Resolution was ordered to be re-
turned to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Represen-
tatives was received :

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 201 :

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of
Jacksonville to issue certificates of indebtedness for acquir-
ing, erecting, constructing, maintaining and operating a
radio broadcasting station.

Which amendment is as follows :

In Section One, strike out the words "twenty-five thou-
sand" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "thirty
thousand."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate
thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 201, together with the amend-
ments of the House of Representatives thereto, as con-

tained in the foregoing message, was placed before the Senate for consideration.

Mr. Butler moved that the Senate concur to the House Amendment contained in the above message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 201, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 350:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 8225, Acts of the Legislature of Florida, A. D. 1919, 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," approved June 2, 1919.

Also—

Has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 311:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants or script for the purpose of paying indebtedness for procuring rights-of-way, and expenses incidental thereto, for State and County roads, and for paying assessments for pavement around court house square in Madison County, Florida, and providing for payment of said warrants or script.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925,

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in Senate Amendment to

House Bill No. 216:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 5 and 6 of Chapter 8490, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to organize a county court in the County of Pinellas, to provide for a prosecuting attorney for said county, to provide for the terms of said court, to provide for the trial and continuance of all cases pending in the present county court of said county, to provide for the salary of the judge and the prosecuting attorney of said court, and to provide for a clerk and his compensation of said court and prescribe the rules and practices of said court."

Which amendment is as follows:

Strike out the second paragraph of Section 1 and insert in lieu thereof, the following:

Section 5. The County Judge of Pinellas County shall be the judge of said court. He shall be deemed and held a separate and different official from the said County Judge, and shall receive a salary of \$2400.00 per year, payable monthly, upon warrant of the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida. This compensation shall exclude all other compensations which the said Judge of the County Court, as such might receive or be entitled to; provided, however, that should the salary of said Judge as Judge of the County Court of said county together with the fees and compensations which he shall receive as County Judge of said county, in the aggregate, yield a net income (as defined in Section 2 of Chapter 9270, Acts of 1923) of more than \$6,000.00 per year, the excess over and above said \$6,000.00 net per year

shall be paid into the general revenue fund of said county as provided by Section 4 of Chapter 9270, Acts of 1923."

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 379:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Pensacola to provide fire boat and marine fire fighting apparatus, to contract for same, and for the purchase thereof, and to permit the use of same in certain cases for commercial purposes, and to regulate and prescribe the mode of docking, moving and anchoring vessels.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 379, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

House Memorial No. 7:

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States, requesting an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of the St. Johns River between Jacksonville and Palatka and Sanford, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Memorial No. 7, contained in the above message, was read the first time and was laid over under the rule.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representative was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the Speaker has appointed as the Committee Member on the part of the House, provided for by House Concurrent Resolution No. 14—

Mr. MacKenzie of Lake.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 9:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5481, Revised General Statutes of Florida, in regard to seizure of intoxicating liquors.

Also—

House Bill No. 194:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create a State Board of Veterinary Examiners, to prescribe its powers and duties, to prescribe the qualification of the membership thereof, their compensation and term of office and providing for the giving of bond by the treasurer thereof for the faithful performance of his duty, to define the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in Florida, to vest in said board the authority to examine diplomas and credentials and affidavits of applications and to hold examinations for applicants, to issue and revoke licenses to practice veterinary medicine and surgery, to collect fees for licenses and examinations, to disburse funds accruing to the board from the collection of fees, to provide penalties for the violation of this Act, and providing when this Act shall become effective.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 9, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved to waive the rules and that House Bill No. 9 be placed on the Calendar of Bills on the second reading without reference.

Mr. Coe moved as a substitute to the motion of Mr. Etheredge that House Bill No. 9 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

The question was put upon the substitute motion.

The substitute motion was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 9 was so referred.

And House Bill No. 194, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Also—
The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
House Bill No. 729:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the staking, betting, or wagering of any money, or other thing of value, upon the result of any trial or contest of skill, speed, power or endurance, of man or fowl, or beast; to prohibit the participating in any pool of money or other things of value to be disposed of or to be received, contingent upon the result of any such trial or contest of skill, speed, power or endurance; to prohibit the buying or selling of what is known as mutual tickets, or mutual agreement, where the pay-off or settlement of the interest of the holders is to be dependent or in any manner to be determined upon the result of any such trial or contest of skill, speed, power or endurance; to prohibit the buying or selling of pari-mutual tickets, contracts or memoranda, or other like device, where it is agreed or understood that the earnings, pay off, or interest to the holder, shall be dependent or in any wise controlled by the result of any such contest of skill, speed, power or endurance; to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act; to declare places where this Act may be violated to be a public nuisance and to provide for the abatement of the same, and to provide for the payment of costs.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 729, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted by the constitutional three-fifths (3/5) vote of all the members elected to the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the session of 1925.

House Joint Resolution No. 750:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 18 of the Declaration of Rights in the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the ownership, inheritance, disposition and enjoyment of property in the State of Florida by foreigners.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida, Section 18 of the Declaration of Rights of said Constitution, be and the same is hereby agreed to and the same shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State of Florida for ratification or rejection at the next ensuing general election, that is to say, that Section 18 of the Declaration of Rights of the Constitution of the State of Florida, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 18. Foreigners who are eligible to become citizens of the United States under the provisions of the laws and treaties of the United States shall have the same rights as to the ownership, inheritance and disposition of property in the State as citizens of the State, but the Legislature shall have power to limit, regulate and prohibit the ownership, inheritance, disposition, possession and enjoyment of real estate in the State of Florida by foreigners who are not eligible to become citizens of the United States under the provisions of the laws and treaties of the United States.”

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Houe Joint Resolution No. 750, contained in the

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 11, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in Senate amendments to—

House Bill No. 462:

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect the fish within the waters of Clay County except the St. Johns River, and to provide certain ways that fish may be taken within a certain time and define the waters of Clay County, and to provide punishment for violation of this Act.

Which amendments are as follows:

In Section 3, add the following phrase: "and for picnics and fish fries."

Strike out all of Section 4.

Strike out Section 6 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

The waters of the County of Clay (except the St. Johns River, Doctor's Lake, and BlackCreek, from its mouth to county draw bridge), shall mean all lakes, bayous, creeks, branches, ponds, or streams, of water of any kind or nature wherein fish may be found, inhabit or exist.

Renumber section in numerical order.

With the following amendment thereto.

In Senate Amendment insert after the words "county drawbridge" the words "on State Road Number Three."

And respectfully requests the concurrences of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 462, together with the amendments of the House to the Senate amendment thereto, as contained in the foregoing message, was placed before the Senate for consideration.

Mr. Watson moved that the Senate concur to the House amendment to the Senate amendment, contained in the above message.

Which was agreed to.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 15:

Whereas, The present session of the Florida Legislature will expire by Constitutional limitation on Friday, June 5th, 1925; and

Whereas, It is necessary that a time be fixed by both House and Senate for simultaneous adjournment sine die; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the present session of the Florida Legislature shall adjourn sine die at twelve o'clock noon, Friday, June 5th, A. D. 1925.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 15, contained in the above message, was read the first time and was laid over under the rule.

Also—

The following message from House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1925.

*Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.*

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
Senate Bill No. 161:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and to confirm unto the Tampa and St. Petersburg Railway Company, a corporation organized and existing under the Laws of Florida, and its successors or assigns, the rights, privileges and franchises, and the grant of a right-of-way over, and the filling in of submerged and other lands belonging to the State of Florida, in, upon, or adjacent to the waters of Tampa Bay or Old Tampa Bay, in the maintenance and operation of a line of railway and toll bridge, exclusively as a toll bridge or jointly as a toll bridge and railroad, heretofore constructed and known as the Gandy Bridge, and the construction of buildings, wharves, docks, and depots thereon, in connection with and as a part of the facilities of said bridge, under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 7601 of the Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapters 7836 and 8597 of the Laws of Florida; and to authorize and empower said Tampa and St. Petersburg Railway Company, a corporation, its successors or assigns, to maintain and operate the said bridge, its approaches and appurtenances, and the buildings, wharves, docks and depots thereon or used as a part of the facilities thereof, exclusively as a toll bridge, or jointly as a toll bridge and railroad, as said corporation, its successors or assigns, shall deem expedient.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 161, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion of Mr. Smith, to reconsider the vote by which Senate Joint Resolution No. 330 failed to pass the Senate,

was taken up in its order, and, on motion of Mr. Watson, the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

By consent—

Mr. Phillips withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 43 passed the Senate.

So Senate Bill No. 43 was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives as having passed the Senate.

Mr. Anderson moved that the Senate do now take up and consider Local Bills under the rules of the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate took up the order of

LOCAL BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bills Nos. 242 and 169 were taken up in their order, and the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 188:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of East Fort Myers, in Lee County, and to create in lieu thereof a new charter and municipal government, to be known as the City of East Fort Myers, and provide for its jurisdiction, powers, privileges and immunities; to validate all taxes, assessments and licenses heretofore made or imposed by the Town of East Fort Myers, and preserve intact all debts and obligations of said town.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 188 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 188, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 188 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 188, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Calkins, Clark, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary,

Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turner, Watson
—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bills Nos. 299, 277, 293, 298, 132 and 206 were taken up in their order, and the consideration of the same informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 207 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 9661½ of the Laws of Florida, Special Acts, 1923, pertaining to the employment of an Attorney-at-Law by the County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to prosecute those charged with the commission of crime and offenses against the Laws of the State, before County Judge's Court, in said County and State, and to fix and prescribe the compensation of such Attorney-at-Law.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 207 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 207, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 207 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 207, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner
—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

House Bill No. 314:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell for and on behalf of Orange City-Enterprise Special Road and Bridge District of Volusia County, Florida, additional bonds to pay for the construction and completion of certain roads and bridges in the said Orange City-Enterprise Special Road and Bridge District, and providing for the payment of said bonds.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 314 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 314, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 314 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 314, with title above state, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), 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 immediately, the rule having been waived.

House Bill No. 308 and Senate Bills Nos. 254 and 255 were taken up in their order, and the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

House Bills Nos. 522, 495, 464, 155 and 589 were taken up in their order, and the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 566:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3 of Article 1 and Sections 8 and 9 of Article IX, Chapter 9712, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923, and providing for the method of organization of the Town of Clewiston, Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 566 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 566, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 566 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 566, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson

—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Malone moved to waive the rules and take up House Bills Nos. 242 and 308 for consideration, the same having been informally passed over.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 242:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and establish a bird and game reservation, defining its boundaries, prohibiting the hunting, trapping, chasing, killing or molesting of any wild animals, birds or fowl within said described boundaries and providing a punishment for the violation thereof.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 242 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 242, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 242:

Strike out Section 4 and insert in lieu the following.

Sec. 4. Any person or persons violating the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished as provided by law.

Mr. Malone moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 242, as amended, be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 242, with title above stated, as amended, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill as amended the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Clark, Cee, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Seales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson—25.

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

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

The consideration of Senate Bill No. 332 was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 308:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for a Closed Season for hunting, killing, chasing, molestation or possession of wild deer or wild turkey in the counties of Charlotte, Glades, Collier, Dade, and Monroe, in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for the violation hereof, and repealing Section 1, Chapter 9411, Acts of 1923, and all Laws and parts of Laws in conflict herewith, and to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of said respective counties to appropriate funds for the enforcement hereof.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 308 be read the second time by its title.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 308, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 308:

In Section 7, line 3, strike out all balance of Section after the word "provided"

And insert in lieu thereof the following:

Shall be punished as provided by law.

Mr. Malone moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Etheredge offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 308:

Insert Highlands after the word Charlotte wherever it appears.

Mr. Etheredge moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 308 as amended be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 308 as amended, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

On motion of Mr. Watson the further consideration of the bill as amended, and on its passage, was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 652:

A bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the owner or person having the custody and control of hogs from permitting them running at large within the following described boundaries, to-wit: Commencing on the east side of Hancock Creek at its mouth, thence following up the Caloosahatchie River low water mark to the mouth, west side of Powell's Creek, thence up on west side of said creek as it meanders, to the south boundary of the public road at a point where said road crosses Powell's Creek, thence in a westerly or southwesterly direction and along the south boundary line of said public road to the east side of Hancock Creek, thence along the east side of said creek in a south and southeasterly direction as it meanders, to the point of beginning in Lee County, Florida; providing a penalty for the violation of this Act and a procedure to enforce said Act and for the collection of any damage sustained by the depredations of said animals.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 652 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 652, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that

House Bill No. 652 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 652, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 573:

A bill to be entitled An Act ratifying, validating and confirming all of the proceedings taken for the creation and organization of the Ft. Myers Drainage District, and all of the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of said district since the creation thereof, and all of the acts and proceedings of the Circuit Court for Lee County, and of the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioners and all other officers of said drainage district, and of said Lee County acting for and on behalf of said district, in carrying out the affairs of said district; and ratifying, validating and confirming any and all tax levies and assessments which have been made by the Board of Supervisors of said district upon the assessable and taxable property located within said district.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 573 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 573, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 573 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 573, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calk-

ins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The consideration of House Bill No. 641 was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 166 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to define the boundary line between Hendry and Palm Beach Counties along the shores of Lake Okeechobee.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 166 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 166, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 166 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 166, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was :

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st. Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered certified to the House of Representatives under the rule.

The consideration of House Bill No. 634 was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 372 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the assessment, levy and collection of taxes in the City of Cedar Key, Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 372 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 372, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 372 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 372, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 373—

A bill to be entitled An Act to Authorize the City of Cedar Key, Florida, to Acquire, Build and Maintain a Water Works and Pumping Stations Without the Corporate Limits of Said City, and Conferring on Said City of Cedar Key the Right of Eminent Domain and Right to Condemn for Public Purposes Right of Way for Pipe Lines and Source of Water Supply for Public and Municipal Purposes.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 373 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 373, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Turner moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 373 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

And Senate Bill No. 373, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 375:

A bill to be entitled An Act to ratify, approve, validate and confirm all of the proceedings taken for the creation, establishment and organization of Naranja Drainage District, in Dade County, Florida, and to ratify, approve, validate and confirm all of the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of said district, since the creation thereof, and all of the acts and proceeds of the circuit court, the board of supervisors, the commissioners and all other officers and agents of said Naranja Drainage District, acting for and on behalf of said district in carrying out the affairs of said district; and to ratify, approve, validate and confirm any and all tax levies and assessments which have been made by the board of supervisors of said Naranja Drainage District for and on behalf of said district, upon the taxable property located within said district and to authorize the issuance of negotiable notes, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of said drainage district in an amount not exceeding Eighty Thousand Dollars, bearing interest at not exceeding Eight Per Cent per annum, for the purpose of paying any indebtedness and to paying current expenses of operation and administration of said drainage district.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 375 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 375, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 375 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 375, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 384:

A bill to be entitled An Act to extend the corporate limits of the City of Coronado Beach, Florida, by annexing thereto certain portions of the territory now included within the corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, and to confer other powers upon the city of Coronado Beach, Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 384 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 384, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 384 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 384, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The consideration of House Bills Nos. 574 and 613 was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 640:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of Cocoa, Brevard County, Florida, to issue its negotiable coupon bonds to the amount of two hundred twenty-five thousand (225,000.00) dollars for municipal purposes; validating all proceedings taken to authorize the issuance of said bonds, and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for the payment of the principal and interest thereof.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 640 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 640, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 640 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 640, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Ycas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 657:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method of making local improvements in the City of Cocoa, Brevard County, Florida, authorizing and providing for the levy and collection of special assessments to pay for the cost thereof, and authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of bonds by the City of Cocoa in connection with said local improvements, said bonds to be general obligations of said City of Cocoa.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that

House Bill No. 657 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 657, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 657 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 657, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hodges, Knight, Malone Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The consideration of House Bills Nos. 588 and 652 was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 662:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Pinellas County, and the State of Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon road and bridge warrants for Special Road and Bridge District No. 2, aggregating the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars and to assess, levy and collect a tax, and create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest of said warrants.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Taylor, of 11th District, moved that the rules be waived than that House Bill No. 662 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 662, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Taylor, of 11th District, moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 662 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 662, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Wicker—22.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Etheredge moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate, at 6:28 o'clock P. M., stood adjourned to eleven o'clock A. M., Tuesday, May 12, A. D. 1925.

Tuesday, May 12, 1925

The Senate convened at 11 A. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President. Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Coe, Clark, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Daily Journal of May 11th was corrected, and as corrected, was approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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