

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REGULAR SESSION OF THE THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

Twenty-seventh Day's Session.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Hon. C. C. Antoine, Lieutenant Governor of the State and President of the Senate.

On call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs. Alexander, Anderson, Barber, Butler, Blunt, Blackburn, Brewster, Burch, Greene, Harris, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Kelso, Kelo, Pollard, Stamps, Twitcheil, Weber, Wharton—20.

The President of the Senate announced a quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the minutes of yesterday's proceedings was dispensed with, and the President announced that the journal stood approved, after the same had been corrected.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives appeared and submitted the following:

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by the House to ask the concurrence of your honorable body in the following House bill, viz:

House bill No. 1, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Carrollton, approved March 17, 1859, and acts supplementary thereto.

Also to inform you that the House has concurred in Senate joint resolution No. 3, appropriating twelve hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to provide office rooms for the members of the Senate; joint resolution No. 6, asking the Congress of the United States to pass an act appropriating the proceeds of all public lands hereafter sold for the support of free common schools.

Senate bill No. 22, entitled an act punishing extortion in office by the public officers of the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes, with amendments, and that the House has agreed to the amendments in the substitute of Senate bill No. 25, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections two and three of act No. 10, entitled an act making an appropriation to pay the mileage and per diem of the members, officers and employees of the General Assembly, etc.

Very respectfully,
JOHN W. ROXBOROUGH,
Assistant Clerk.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by the House to ask the concurrence of your honorable body in the following House bill, viz:

House bill No. 6, entitled an act to incorporate the Louisiana Central Railway Company.

Very respectfully,
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Mr. Kelso, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report on House bill No. 38:

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

Your committee to whom was referred House bill No. 38, having had the same under consideration, report back said bill with the following amendments, viz: In section two, lines thirty and thirty-one, strike out the words "in any way they may deem proper" and commencing at the beginning of line thirty-four, strike out all to the end of the said section.

As so amended, your committee report favorably, and recommend that the bill do pass. All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. Y. KELSO, Chairman;
ALLEN GREENE,
WILLIAM HARPER,
M. H. TWITCHEIL.

Also, favorably, without amendment, on Senate bill No. 77, entitled an act to authorize the police jury of the parish of Iberville to purchase the dyke at Bayou Plaquemine, to make the same a free public road, and to issue bonds in payment of the same.

Lies over.

Also, favorably upon House bill No. 81, an act creating the parish of Lincoln, and providing for the organization thereof.

Lies over.

The chairman of the Committee on Metropolitan Police, Mr. Stamps, submitted the following reports:

COMMITTEE ON METROPOLITAN POLICE.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

Your Committee on Metropolitan Police, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 28, an act to provide for a full and prompt payment of the members, officers and employees of the Metropolitan Police, and other purposes, beg leave to report on said bill with the following information: That we have satisfactory information that an arrangement has been perfected that the Metropolitan Police will receive satisfactory pay, and the tendency of the passage of this bill would prejudice rather than advance their claim. All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. B. STAMPS.

Lies over.

Mr. Butler attempting to speak upon the merits of the bill, Mr. Harris raised the point of order that there was nothing before the Senate.

Mr. Butler then moved the adoption of the bill on its first reading.

Mr. Harris raised the point of order that the Senate could not adopt the bill on its first reading.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken.

Mr. Harris raised the point of order well taken.

Mr. Barber moved the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Butler moved to lay the motion to indefinitely postpone on the table.

On which the yeas and nays were demanded.

Yeas—Anderson, Alexander, Barber, Butler, Blunt, Blackburn, Brewster, Burch, Greene, Harris, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Kelso, Pollard, Stamps, Twitcheil, Weber, Wharton—10.

Nays—Barber, Blackburn, Blunt, Burch, Brewster, Greene, Harris, Mascot, Twitcheil, Wharton—10.

The motion to table prevailed.

The question recurred upon the second reading of the bill.

Mr. Harris then moved to lay the whole subject matter on the table.

On which the yeas and nays were ordered:

Yeas—Barber, Blackburn, Blunt, Burch, Brewster, Harris, Mascot, Stamps, Twitcheil, Wharton—10.

Nays—Anderson, Alexander, Butler, Greene, Harper, E. F. Herwig, Harper, Ingraham, Kelso, Pollard, Wharton—10.

The vote being a tie, the President of the Senate gave the casting vote in the affirmative.

The Secretary announced the whole subject matter laid on the table.

On House bill No. 37, to be entitled an act to allow the city of New Orleans to construct locks near the mouth of the New Orleans Canal and Bayou St. John, and re-commend its passage.
A. J. SPYHER, Chairman.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

By Mr. Blackburn:

Of a bill to be entitled an act relating to last wills and testaments.

By Mr. Ingraham:

Of a bill to be entitled an act to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors to any minors under the age of eighteen years, or to any female.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Blackburn, according to previous notice:

An act to repeal all laws making police jurors elective, and to provide for the appointment of the same.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That all laws or parts of laws now in the statute books of the State of Louisiana making police jurors elective, be, and the same are hereby repealed, etc.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., that the Governor of the State shall immediately proceed to the appointment of police jurors throughout the State, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and when the Senate is not in session the Governor may make such appointments, which shall be confirmed or rejected when the Senate shall again convene.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., that the police jury wards in the several parishes throughout the State shall stand as now established, and that the police jurors shall meet and hold their sessions in such manner and at such times and places, and receive such pay and emoluments as now provided by law.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., that all police jurors now in office shall hold office until their successors in office are appointed and commissioned, and duly qualified.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., that this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

The bill was read the first time.

The constitutional rule was then suspended by a four-fifths affirmative vote, and the bill read a second time, and ordered printed in the journal, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Alexander:

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Mr. Anderson then moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Corporations and Parochial Affairs.

Mr. Burch moved as a substitute to refer to the Committee on Railroads.

On which the yeas and nays were ordered:

Yeas—Barber, Blackburn, Brewster, Butler, Burch, Harris, Ingraham, Stamps—8.

Nays—Alexander, Anderson, Blunt, Greene, Harper, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Mascot, Pollard, Twitcheil, Weber, Wharton—12.

The motion to refer to the Committee on Railroads was not adopted.

Mr. Butler moved for an executive session.

Adopted.

Executive session having been raised, the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anderson, Alexander, Barber, Blunt, Brewster, Butler, Burch, Greene, Harris, Harper, P. F. Herwig, E. F. Herwig, Ingraham, Kelso, Pollard, Stamps, Spyher, Twitcheil, Wharton—19.

Mr. Anderson called for the pending question—his motion to refer House bill No. 6 to the Committee on Corporations and Parochial Affairs, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

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