

Legislative History for Connecticut Act

HB 1324	P.A. 182	1953
House: 892 - 893		(2)
Senate: 816, 830, 904 804		(3)
Finance: 84		(1)
		<hr/>
		6

Transcripts from the Joint Standing Committee Public Hearing(s) and/or Senate
and House of Representatives Proceedings

Connecticut State Library
Compiled 2015

H-14

CONNECTICUT
GEN. ASSEMBLY
HOUSE

PROCEEDINGS
1953

VOL. 5
PART 3
823-1243

THE CLERK:

Favorable report of the Committee on Claims on House Bill No. 1060 "An Act Reimbursing Mrs. Evelyn Golding for Injuries Sustained on the Grounds of a State Institution." Calendar 550

MR. MAUTTE (EAST HAVEN):

Mr. Speaker, I move for the acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

MR. MAUTTE (EAST HAVEN):

The Committee voted to pay Mrs. Golding the amount of \$750 to reimburse her for injuries which she sustained when she fell into a catch basin from which the cover had been accidentally removed by a snowplow of the Norwich State Hospital. I hope the bill passes.

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on passage of the bill. Those in favor will say "aye"; contrary minds, "no". The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Favorable report of the Committee on Finance on Substitute for House Bill No. 1324 "An Act concerning the Assessment of Certain Operating Expenses of the Public Utilities Commission or Public Service Companies and Collection of Same." Calendar 551 File No. 347.

MR. COWLES (FARMINGTON):

I move acceptance and passage.

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. Will you remark?

MR. COWLES (FARMINGTON):

Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to carry out part of the Governor's program to pay for the cost of the Utility Commission by an assessment on the utility companies. This particular bill refers to the power and light companies. It excludes the electric railways and telephone companies. The power and light companies, the assessment on this is forty-five per cent of the cost of the utility commission. The method of assessment is on the gross business done by a utility company during the previous fiscal year and the amount is not to exceed \$250,000 under this bill. It is a good bill and I hope it passes.

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. Those in favor will signify by saying "aye"; contrary minds, "no". The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Favorable report of the Committee on Judiciary on Senate Bill No. 88 "An Act concerning Payment of Demand Instruments" as amended by Senate amendment Schedule A. Calendar 558 File No. 248.

MR. CROUCH (STONINGTON):

The Clerk has an amendment. Will he read it please?

THE CLERK:

Senate Amendment Schedule "A" to Senate Bill 88, File 248:

S-5

CONNECTICUT
GEN. ASSEMBLY
SENATE

PROCEEDINGS
1953

VOL. 5
PART 2
434-844

THE CLERK: Cal. No. 549. Substitute for House Bill No. 1324.

An Act concerning the assessment of certain operating expenses of the Public Utilities Commission or Public Service Companies and Collection of same. Favorable report of the Committee on Finance. File No. 347.

SENATOR LEMAIRE OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT: May this be passed retaining its place on the Calendar.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: Unless there is objection, that action will be taken.

THE CLERK: Unfavorable reports.

SENATOR JEWETT OF THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT: As to the unfavorable reports, may they be passed retaining their place on the Calendar?

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: Is there objection to the suggest of the Senator from the 20th that the unfavorable reports be passed.

The Chair hearing none, it is so ordered.

THE CLERK: Commissioner Kelly wishes to announce to the Senate that starting next week, Wednesday and Thursday, there will be a representative of the Motor Vehicle Department in the corridor in front of the House to take applications for driver's licenses. Also the following week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM: Is there further business before the house?

SENATOR JEWETT: First of all, I would like to congratulate you, sir, on your able handling of the situation today. You ;and the Senator from the 19th will always remember what happened when you ask a question. If there is no further business, Mr.

President, I move we adjourn until 11 a.m. tomorrow. (Motion was passed

(The Senate adjourned at 1:45 P.M.)

SENATOR SADEN OF THE TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT: I think it would be hardly wise to let this statement pass without one short comment. That is, the Republicans in this circle are doing their job and reading these bills.

SENATOR LOWELL OF THE SEVENTH DISTRICT: We recognize the helpful suggestions made by the Democratic side and we appreciate your cooperation. Better legislation is resulting. If the Democrats would attend regularly and give us the benefit of their advices and knowledge, particularly executive sessions, we might expedite the work of the session.

THE CLERK: Cal. No. 547. House Bill No. 840. An Act authorizing investment of certain funds by the Treasurer. Favorable report of the Committee on Finance. File No. 348/

(Upon motion of Senator Lemaire of the 26th district for acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill, the bill was passed)

SENATOR LEMAIRE: Yesterday there was a question as to the language referred to in Line 34. I think it has been satisfactorily explained to the Senator from the 23rd. The bill is still the same.

THE CLERK: Cal. No. 549. Substitute for House Bill No. 1324. An Act concerning the assessment of certain operating expenses of the Public Utilities Commission or Public Service Companies and collection of same. Favorable report of the Committee on Finance. File No. 347.

(Upon motion of Senator Lemaire of the 26th for passage of the bill, retaining its place on the calendar, that action was taken)

S-6

CONNECTICUT
GEN. ASSEMBLY
SENATE

PROCEEDINGS
1953

VOL. 5
PART 3
845-1202

the Senate of April 22, 1953, attached hereto), the bills read the second time and tabled for the Calendar and printing, without discussion.

THE CLERK: UNFAVORABLE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: SENATEBILLS: Unfavorable reports were received from the committees indicated, (see page 604 of the Journal of the Senate, attached hereto) the bills read the second time and tabled for the Calendar, without discussion.

THE CLERK: Cal. No. 549. Substitute for House Bill No. 1324. An Act concerning the assessment of certain operating expenses of the Public Utilities Commission or Public Service companies and collection of same. Favorable report of the Committee on Finance. File No. 347.

(Upon motion of Senator Lemaire of the 26th district for acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill, the bill was passed)

SENATOR LEMAIRE: Sec. 5390 of the General Statutes, "public service companies" include gas, water, utility, light but does not include bus or truck companies. The public utilities commission shall apportion and assess 45% of such expenses among public service companies, starting 8/1/53 but not over \$250. The balance, or 55%, is paid by the bus companies and truck companies. At the present time there is a \$5. license fee. This will pay all the actual expenses of the Commission. It is one of the things we are trying to do to eliminate the cost of the Commission of the State. I think it is a good bill and

JOINT
STANDING
COMMITTEE
HEARINGS

FINANCE
VOL. I
Pages 1-249

CONN.
GENERAL
ASSEMBLY
1953

CONN.
STATE
LIBRARY

FINANCE

THURSDAY

FEBRUARY 26, 1953

MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators: Lemaire, Desrosiers.
Representatives: Cowles, Rylander, O'Donnell,
Spaulding, Marsilius, King, Donaldson,
Pope, Wochomurka, Welles.

Senator Louis A. Lemaire, Jr. presiding.

H. B. NO. 1324 (Pruyn) CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES AND COLLECTION OF SAME.

Rep. Pruyn, Colebrook: I wish to say a word in favor of H. B. 1324. The purpose is to assess part of the cost of operations of the Public Utilities Commission upon the various companies of the state. This bill is in line with the recommendation of the Governor that the budget be kept as low as possible to relieve expenses now carried by the General Fund. It seems to me this is a good bill. I understand the public service companies are agreeable to this. I hope for a favorable report.

S. B. NO. 648 (Lowell) CONCERNING AMENDING SECTIONS 580b and 581b of the 1951 SUPPLEMENT TO THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Hiram Sibley, Executive Director: I am appearing for Dr. Osborn, Health Commissioner; also, Mr. Lynch. This is so that health--special--services are paid on average daily costs, instead of fee schedule. They have been operating for the last year. This has created an auditing problem in the State Welfare Department. We have joined together with the cost commission and the Connecticut Hospital Association in supporting this bill. The effective date would be postponed from April 1st to July 1st, 1953. This would establish a common rate under statute.

Sen. Lemaire, 26th. Dist.: The only change you wish to make?

Mr. Sibley: Yes.

Rep. Rylander, Litchfield: Mr. Sibley, you understand there is another bill to come along later?