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WEDNESDAY

MAY 27, 1959.

THE CLERK:

Cal. No. 1439. File No. 1349. Senate Bill No. 1284. An Act concerning Nonstock Corporations. Favorable report of the Committee on General Law.

SENATOR ALFANO:

Mr. President..

THE CHAIR:

Senator from the 7th.

SENATOR ALFANO:

I move for acceptance of the committee's favorable report and the passage of this bill.

THE CHAIR:

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

SENATOR ALFANO:

I think this bill deserves no further comment. My comments and the comments of the minority leader I think pretty well exploited this group, how essential it is that we have this bill.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark further? If not all those in favor will signify by saying "aye", those opposed "no". The "ayes" have it. The bill is ordered passed.

SENATOR SCANLON:

Mr. President..

THE CHAIR:

Senator from the 6th.

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THE SPEAKER:

Will you remark further? If not, all those in favor say aye, opposed no. The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 1887. File No. 1349. Senate Bill No. 1284.
An Act concerning Non-Stock Corporations. Favorable report of the Committee on General Law.

THE SPEAKER:

The gentleman from Manchester.

MR. ARONSON OF MANCHESTER: -

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

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill in concurrence with the Senate. The gentleman from Manchester.

MR. ARONSON OF MANCHESTER:

Mr. Speaker, this is the companion bill to the bill we just passed. It too, the subject-matter has been studied thoroughly by the commission. The bill was drafted by the commission. It makes a number of technical changes, revisions and modifications of the law.

It's a good bill and I urge its passage.

THE SPEAKER:

Will you remark further? The gentleman from Brookfield.

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MR. PINNEY OF BROOKFIELD:

Mr. Speaker, this bill and the bill which preceded it complete a monumental task which was begun two and a half or three years ago and in which many of the best legal minds of the State of Connecticut have engaged. The corporation laws of the State of Connecticut have not had any substantial modification for over half a century. At the turn of the century, Connecticut was in the forefront in the nation in the field of its corporate laws, and gradually over the years as other states modified and modernized their laws Connecticut slipped into a secondary position. As a result of that, a commission was established which did a monumental job of totally redrafting these laws and the bills which we have before us now are the product of that commission's work.

I would point out in passing that the commission was chaired by the distinguished Senator from Norwalk, Senator Sibal, and I think that tribute should be paid to him and to the many others who contributed a tremendous amount of effort in what is really an historic job in a field perhaps that does not have the great popular appeal as many other things we do, but none-the-less a job which can stand on its own as a tremendous contribution to this state.

THE SPEAKER:

Will you remark further? The gentleman from Avon.

MR. AUGUST OF AVON:

Mr. Speaker, I had the privilege of serving on this

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commission, not as one of those legal minds to which the gentleman from Brookfield refers--but as one of the legislative members, and I can assure you that it is a great compliment to both the chairman, the Senator who was the chairman of that, Mr. Abner Sibal, and also the Executive Secretary, Mr. Baylis Manning, a Professor at the University Law School, that these two bills of such a great magnitude can pass this House and the Senate with so little comment. It speaks well for the excellence and the quality of the work of these two gentlemen.

It might well be pointed out that this project was something that was started by the Legislative Council several years ago, and up until two years ago when it became a commission, it was chairmanned by the former Speaker of this House, Norman Parsells.

The two bills are extremely important to all corporate business or commercial or industrial activities, and also it should be pointed out that they are extremely important to charitable organizations which are incorporated.

I think the two bills should be recognized by this House as of extreme importance for this session. Thank you.

THE SPEAKER:

Will you remark further? The gentleman from Manchester.

MR. ARONSON OF MANCHESTER:

Mr. Speaker, I concur on everything that the two distinguished gentlemen, the one from Brookfield and the one from Avon, the comments they have made on these two bills. I did

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not in my remarks intend to slight anyone nor to minimize the job that was done in the drafting of these two bills. However, this being a hot day and being a noncontroversial session, I didn't think too many remarks would be necessary.

THE SPEAKER:

Will you remark further? If not, all those in favor say aye, opposed no. The ayes have it. The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Going back to page 16. I understand that Calendar No. 1859 has been removed from the controversial list. File No. 1005. Senate Bill No. 966. An Act concerning Granting Reciprocity with Other States in the Licensing of Veterans as Embalmers, as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A".

MR. GOOGEL OF NEW BRITAIN:

I move the adoption of Senate Amendment Schedule "A",
Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER:

Question is on adoption of Senate Amendment Schedule "A".
Will you remark? If not, all those in favor say aye, opposed no. The ayes have it. The amendment is adopted.

MR. GOOGEL OF NEW BRITAIN:

Mr. Speaker, I move the acceptance of the committee's favorable report and the passage of the bill, as amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A".

THE SPEAKER:

Question now is on acceptance of the committee's favor-