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be passed retaining - temporarily.

THE CLERK:

Calendar No. 834, File 1023. Substitute for House Bill No. 3608. An Act concerning Establishment of Stream Channel Encroachment Lines. Favorable report, Joint Committee- Water Resources and Flood Control.

THE SPEAKER:

Is there anyone to report this bill? Passed temporarily.

THE CLERK:

Page 5 of the Calendar, fifth item from the top, Calendar No. 852, File 1058, House Bill No. 4384. An Act concerning Extra Appropriations by Town Boards of Finance. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Finance.

THE SPEAKER:

The Gentleman from Easton.

MR. BROWN (EASTON):

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

THE SPEAKER:

The question is on acceptance of the Committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. Will you remark?

MR. BROWN (EASTON):

Mr. Speaker, this bill provides two technical amendments to Section 7-348 of the 1961 Supplement to the General Statutes. This section sets forth the procedure for giving a department in the town

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an extra appropriation after adoption of the budget. The circumstances arise where a department of a town has, or will, spend more than the budget allows. Where the grand lists of such towns is less than \$20,000 or 20 million dollars, and the amount required is more than a thousand dollars, or when the grand list exceeds 20 million dollars and the amount exceeds \$20,000, such appropriation shall not be made until upon the board of finance approval, the same has been voted by the town at a meeting called for that purpose. The board of finance may make additional appropriations not exceeding \$2,000 where the grand list is less than 20 million dollars and when the grand list is over 20 million dollars, not over \$4,000. This bill is a technical amendment and clarifies the intent of eht entire legislation. Mr. Speaker, I move for the passage of the bill.

THE SPEAKR:

The question is on acceptance and passage of the bill. Will you remark? If not, all those in favor say AYE; opposed NAY; the bill is passed.

The Gentleman from Norwalk.

MR. PADUL A (NORWALK):

May file No. 853 and 856 be passed temporarily.

THE SPEAKER:

853 and 856 will be passed temporarily.

THE CLERK:

Page 6 of the Calendar. Calendar No. 859, File 1064,

Substitute for House Bill No. 4505. An Act continuing the State Jails

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pension once he becomes eligible for a pension.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark further? Question is on acceptance and passage of the bill. All in favor, say AYE. Opposed? Passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar 1285, file 1066, substitute for HB 4591, An Act concerning Disability Compensation for State Policemen.

Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Public Personnel.

SENATOR GAFFNEY:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. This bill restores a provision when the retirement act was revised in 1961. It provides that with respect to disability retirement for state policemen, they shall receive fifty per cent unless their service is in excess of twenty years, in which case they shall receive two per cent for each additional year.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on acceptance and passage. All in favor, say AYE. Opposed? The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar 1287, file 1058, HB 4384, An Act concerning Extra Appropriations by Town Boards of Finance. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Finance.

SENATOR VERRIKER:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. In towns where the grand list does not exceed twenty million dollars, the board of finance

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can without the approval of a town meeting give an additional appropriation for the care of town poor not to exceed two thousand dollars. If the grand list exceeds twenty million dollars, the appropriation can be made but not to exceed four thousand dollars. The Joint Finance Committee recommends its passage.

THE CHAIR:

Further remarks? Question is on acceptance and passage. All in favor, say AYE. Opposed? The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Calendar 1288, file 1134, HB 4492, An Act concerning General Assistance. Favorable report of the Joint Committee on Public Welfare and Humane Institutions.

SENATOR SCHAFFER:

I move acceptance of the committee's favorable report and passage of the bill. The Clerk has an amendment.

THE CLERK:

Senate Amendment Schedule "A": In line 7 after the word, "of", insert the words, "being over sixty-five years of".

SENATOR SCHAFFER:

I believe the amendment is self-explanatory and I would move its adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Question is on adoption of the amendment. All in favor, say AYE. Opposed? The amendment is adopted. I believe this is technical in nature and we can proceed with the bill.

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department. We have right now in the Fish and Game Department many more proposed launching sites. There is not the money there to buy these sites.

Rep. Weldon: This will not provide that the money be spent on the launching sites, in this bill. It can be spent otherwise, can it not?

Mr. Walter Chia: Yes, it does. But it also states that this will be at the discretion of the Board, and anything which would be in the best interest of the boating public. I am certainly sure that we all know the tremendous strides that our department has made in this respect, I say the Fish and Game Department. Now, as I already pointed out, they were the only one that initiated this program and saw the need for this program and carried it forth, with their own license money back in the mid 50's, and as was pointed out, our existing facilities are grossly overtaxed today, I assure you. But, this would not necessarily mean that the money would all be spent on launching sites, but it could be utilized for our marine program which was proposed by our department four years ago. It was originally cut out of the budget. It was reinstated by the Governor this past biennium, and the budget for this, for example, was cut again. But this is a greatly needed program from the standpoint of marine fisheries and the work in research need to carry on and preserve fishing along our shores is definitely needed. I assure you that the department would never have brought forth the establishment of the Marine Division, if there was not a need for it. This department is grossly understaffed today.

Chm. Cairns: Are there any further questions? Thank you.

Rep. Fellows - Hebron: Ladies and Gentlemen of the Finance Committee, I would like to speak briefly on:

BILL 4384. THIS IS INTENDED TO CLARIFY SECTION 7-348.

I introduced this bill to make it possible to carry out the intent of the original legislation. The first part simply makes it possible for boards of finance to appropriate up to \$1,000.00 without calling a town meeting. Formerly it read that they could appropriate the \$1,000.00 but in one lump, so if somebody had come

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in for a request for \$900.00 and somebody else came in for one for \$50.00, they would have to call a separate meeting. The second section at the top of Page 2 makes it possible for the boards of finance to appropriate twice the amount if it is for welfare, since the State reimburses 50% of the welfare funds. In other words, if it required \$1,000.00 for welfare, they could appropriate \$2,000.00 without causing a town meeting, and the final clause at the bottom of the page simply makes it possible for the boards of finance to act in accordance with the powers already provided the selectman of the town; the selectman of the town may commit the town, and the bill did not take care of providing the agreement by boards of finance. Thank you.

Chm. Cairns: Any questions?

Rep. Chester Later: I am the representative from Wethersfield. I will be very brief. I am here speaking on a bill which I introduced:

BILL 4379 THIS BILL REQUIRES BUYERS OF TAX EXEMPT PROPERTY TO PAY TAXES ON THE PROPERTY FROM THE DATE OF THE EXECUTION OF THE DEED, RATHER THAN FROM THE DATE OF THE RECORDING.

The intent of this bill is to correct the inequity which exists where a church or other tax exempt owner of property sells its property to a developer or some other individual who is not tax exempt. Now under the present law, the buyer could hold the deed without recording it for ten years, and during that time the tax exemption remains on the record because the town doesn't know that the property has been transferred. This bill would still let him record ten years after, but if he did, it would make him liable for the back taxes. It would make him liable from the date of the deed rather than the date he records the deed, and it's only to make the individual pay the taxes after the exemption is lifted by the sale.

Chm. Cairns: Thank you. Any questions? Any other representatives that wish to speak at this time?