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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
Friday, April 12, 1907.

In obedience to the proclamation by
his Excellency, T. M. Campbell, Gover-
nor of Texas, convening the Thirtieth
Legislature to meet in Special Session,
at Austin, the seat of government, this
the 12th day of April, A. D. 1907, the
members of the House of Representa-
tives assembled in Representative Hall
at 1:30 o'clock p.m., and the House was
called to order by Hon. Thos. B. Love,
Speaker.

Speaker Love, after stating to the
members present that the Thirtieth Legis-
lature had been convened in extraordi-
nary session for the purposes named in
the proclamation of the Governor, di-
rected the Clerk to read said document
in full.

GOVERNOR’S PROCLAMATION.

The Speaker then handed to the Clerk
the proclamation of the Governor and
it was read in full, as follows:

Proclamation by the Governor of Texas,

I, T. M. Campbell, Governor of the
State of Texas, by virtue of authority
vested in me by the Constitution, do
by this call a Special Session of the
Thirtieth Legislature to convene in the
city of Austin, beginning at ten min-
utes after 1 o'clock p.m., April 12, 1907,
for the following purposes, to wit:

First. To enact adequate laws sim-
plifying the procedure in both civil
and criminal trials in the courts of this
State, and for such reforms as may be
practicable in our jury system.

Second. To enact adequate laws, com-
pelling telephone and telegraph compa-
nies to transmit each other’s messages
and to make necessary connections for
that purpose at common points.

Third. To enact adequate laws to se-
cure equality and uniformity in taxa-
tion and to secure the just rendition of
all taxable property at its full value
and to compel payment of such taxes
properly assessed against it, and to en-
act such laws as will secure the taxa-
tion of all property, tangible and in-
tangible, including the franchises or
intangible assets or property of those
corporations which, by reason of the
nature or character of their assets or
property, under the present laws escape
their just proportion of taxation.

Fourth. To enact laws to increase
charter and filing fees of domestic and
foreign corporations doing business in
Texas.

Fifth. To enact laws increasing the
franchise taxes of foreign and domestic
corporations doing business in Texas.

Sixth. To enact laws imposing prop-
er occupation taxes upon the gross re-
ceipts of corporations and enterprises
now doing business in Texas, which, un-
der the present system of taxation are
not contributing their full share of
taxes.

Seventh. To consider and act upon
such other matters as may hereafter be
presented pursuant to Section 40, Arti-
cle 3, of the Constitution of the State of
Texas.

In testimony whereof I have hereto-
unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the
State to be affixed at Austin, this the
12th day of April, A. D. 1907.

T. M. CAMPBELL,
Governor.

By the Governor,

T. T. DASHIELL,
Secretary of State.