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*of Maine*

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Eugene Hale, a Republican of Maine, became chairman on March 22, 1909, and served until March 4, 1911. He remained on the committee for all of his 30 years in the Senate, from 1881 to 1911.

Born in Turner, ME, in 1836, Hale was admitted to the bar in 1857. After three terms in the State house of representatives, he won election to the U.S. House of Representatives, where he served from 1869 to 1879. Defeated for a sixth House term, Hale ran successfully for the U.S. Senate in 1880 and served from March 4, 1881, to March 3, 1911. After retiring from the Senate, he became a member of the National Monetary Commission. He died in 1918. Eugene Hale was the father of Frederick Hale, also a Senator from Maine and chairman of the committee.

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