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and why? Because there were four mini-bikes that rode all over about every wood road there was in places where I hunted and if you got a sight of a deer at all, you had to go way back where the minibikes hadn't gone. Now, I have been hunting in that area since 1938, and this is an awful thing to say, but I have seen just three game wardens in all that time between 1938 and 1971.

Now, if there was some way that we were having a bill that would stop minibikes in the area where I wanted to hunt, and not on somebody's private property that is a sanctuary, and if there was some way it could be done without losing all the legislative power that we have to some department, I might look at it in a different light, but as it is, I am going to vote against this bill.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion of the gentleman from Albion, Mr. Lee, that An Act Regulating Certain Vehicles and Snowmobiles in Wildlife Management Areas and Sanctuaries, Senate Paper 713, L. D. 1987, be indefinitely postponed. If you are in favor of the motion to indefinitely postpone you will vote yes; if you are opposed you will vote no.

A vote of the House was taken. 25 having voted in the affirmative and 76 having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Ross of Bath was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. ROSS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am sure you have noticed on your desks this afternoon a resolution pertaining to Vietnam and peace. I agree with the points made therein, but

there is an important matter much closer to home.

Last week, Justice Reid issued an Order to the Governor to proclaim a referendum on ballot reform forthwith. Then, Justice Reid granted an additional five days for each side to prepare briefs on issues of law.

Today, Justice Reid has issued a second decision. The motion to dismiss was denied, but he did not issue an Order. The Court ruled that it was the duty of the defendant to issue the proclamation promptly. If he does so, there will be no need for an Order. The Governor must remember 46,000 people initiated a bill to be referred to a special election, not general. In my opinion, the Governor is flaunting his office to thwart the wishes not only of the people but also of our courts.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. McTeague.

Mr. McTEAGUE: Mr. Speaker, is the House in possession of House Paper 1478, L. D. 1921?

The SPEAKER: The answer is in the affirmative, Bill "An Act Authorizing the Supreme Judicial Court to Provide for Juries of Fewer than 12," which has been passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. McTeague of Brunswick, the House reconsidered its action of February 4 whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Hewes of Cape Elizabeth, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and tomorrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Lincoln,

Adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.