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NAYS: Senators: CARPENTER, COLLINS, CYRWAY,
DAVIS, DOW, MASON, ROSEN,
SAVIELLO, WHITTEMORE, PRESIDENT
THIBODEAU

25 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **BRAKEY** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-765)** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-765) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-765)**, in concurrence.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (4/9/18) matter:

SENATE REPORT - from the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** on Bill "An Act To Amend the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act"

S.P. 84 L.D. 238

Report - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-443)**

Tabled - April 9, 2018 by Senator **VOLK** of Cumberland

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT**

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Brakey.

Senator **BRAKEY:** I appreciate it, Mr. President. Some people have just been asking me what this is and I just want to say, very briefly, what this bill is. This bill is much more limited in scope than the legislation we just passed. This is particularly around licensing of manufacturers in the industry. That's contained in the larger bill. This is very limited in scope but, potentially, a very important piece of legislation as well. This simply puts in place some rules and requirements around what would need to be in place for people to be able to, outside of being a caregiver, outside of being a dispensary, to be able to participate in the medical cannabis program as a manufacturer, similar to and parallel to what's been put in place in the bill that we passed earlier this session. Thank you, Mr. President.

Report **ACCEPTED**.

Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-443) **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, Bill **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate at Ease.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Assigned (3/28/18) matter:

An Act To Require Education and Training Regarding Harassment for Legislators, Legislative Staff and Lobbyists
S.P. 695 L.D. 1842
(C "A" S-387)

Tabled - March 28, 2018 by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin

Pending - **ENACTMENT**

(In House, **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**.)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Libby.

Senator **LIBBY:** Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of Senate, I rise in support of the motion before us, which is Enactment. I appreciate the work of the State and Local Government Committee in taking this issue on, taking it seriously, and producing a unanimous bill that requires all Legislators, staff, and lobbyists to go through sexual harassment prevention training. This was done in a unanimous fashion and codifies the Joint Rule that we adopted earlier in the session. So we have, I think, made some real progress in moving this issue forward. Thank you, Mr. President.

On motion by Senator **LIBBY** of Androscoggin, the Senate **SUSPENDED THE RULES**.

On further motion by same Senator, the Senate **RECONSIDERED** whereby the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-387)**.

On further motion by same Senator, Senate Amendment "A" (S-484) **READ**.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Libby.

Senator **LIBBY:** Thank you, Mr. President. Men and women of the Senate, the amendment on your desk makes an adjustment to this unanimous report. It has to do with the lobby requirement. The amendment requires that lobbyists submit certification of completion of harassment training to the Ethics Commission. The Ethics Commission is where lobbyists go to register annually. They do it on line. This simply says that lobbyists must complete