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Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The President laid before the Senate the matter temporarily set aside by Mr. Anderson of Hancock: An Act Implementing the Reorganization of the Department of Public Safety, (S. P. 718) (L. D. 1991), pending Enactment.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Hancock, Senator Anderson.

Mr. ANDERSON of Hancock: Mr. President, when the vote is taken on these three bills, L. D. 1991, L. D. 1978, and L. D. 2013, I request it be taken by division, and I would speak to my motion.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has the floor. The matter before the Senate is the enactment of An Act Implementing the Reorganization of the Department of Public Safety.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Our present system of state government has been functioning for over 100 years. We are asked to change this system in a matter of a few days at a special session. I realize that Senator Johnson and his committee have worked on these reorganizational bills for over a year. The rest of us haven't seen them until they show up on our desks. How can we possibly make an intelligent analysis in this short a time?

We have passed several of these bills. Let's wait and see how they function before accepting any more. If we try to gorge ourselves with the whole menu we may wake up with a bellyache. Again, I move that when the vote is taken it be taken by division. I don't want to take up our time with the Yeas and Nays, for I know full well the outcome. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT: A division has been requested. As many Senators as are in favor of the passage of the bill to be enacted will please rise and remain standing until counted. Those opposed will please rise and remain standing until counted.

A division was had, 21 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and six Senators having voted in the negative, the Bill was Passed

to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The President laid before the Senate the second matter temporarily set aside by Mr. Anderson of Hancock: An Act Implementing the Reorganization of the Department of Secretary of State, (H. P. 1535) (L. D. 1978), pending Enactment.

On motion by Mr. Anderson of Hancock, a division was had. 23 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and five Senators having voted in the negative, the Bill was Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The President laid before the Senate the third matter temporarily set aside by Mr. Anderson of Hancock: An Act Implementing the Reorganization of the Department of Transportation, (H. P. 1541) (L. D. 2013), pending Enactment.

On motion by Mr. Anderson of Hancock, a division was had. 20 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and nine Senators having voted in the negative, the Bill was Passed to be Enacted and, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

The President laid before the Senate the matter temporarily set aside by Mr. Graham of Cumberland: An Act Relating to Reporting Tumors and Establishing a State-wide Tumor Registry, (S. P. 766) (L. D. 2043), pending Enactment.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Graham.

Mr. GRAHAM of Cumberland: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Some information has recently come to my attention just yesterday that it is possible this bill will need an amendment. Therefore, I would much appreciate it if some member would table this bill for one legislative day.