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OF THE

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OF THE

State Of Maine

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

Senate

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FIRST CONFIRMATION SESSION

October 14, 1993

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Unassigned matter:

SENATE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Establish Term Limitations for Presiding Officers, Leadership and Committee Chairs"

S.P. 249 L.D. 768

Majority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-165)**

Minority - **Ought Not to Pass**

Tabled - May 20, 1993, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending - **ACCEPTANCE** of Either Report

(In Senate, May 20, 1993, Reports **READ**.)

Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin moved that the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Esty.

Senator **ESTY:** Thank you Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This Bill, if we support the Majority Report, will limit the Committee Chair's to three consecutive terms in any one Chairmanship of a Committee. I oppose that. Of the three term limit Bills that we will be dealing with regarding presiding officers that we enacted, I supported regarding Minority and Majority Leaders, which is coming up next. I don't think this one makes sense and I would urge the Senate to defeat the Majority Report so the Ought Not to Pass Report can be accepted. Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion of Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report.

The Chair ordered a Division.

Will all those in favor please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

Will all those opposed please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

16 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 18 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion of Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, **FAILED**.

The Minority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **ACCEPTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Unassigned matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act Imposing Term Limits on Legislative Leadership Positions"

H.P. 546 L.D. 742

Majority - **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-364)**

Minority - **Ought Not to Pass**

Tabled - May 25, 1993, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending - Motion by Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence

(In Senate, May 24, 1993, Reports **READ**.)

(In House, May 24, 1993, Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-364)**.)

Senator **HANDY** of Androscoggin requested a Division.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

A Division has been requested.

Will all those in favor please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

Will all those opposed please rise in their places and remain standing until counted.

24 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 10 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **BERUBE** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-364) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Which was, under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, As Amended**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent forthwith to the Engrossing Department.

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Unassigned matter: