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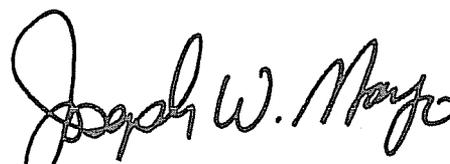
No. 742

H.P. 546

House of Representatives, March 2, 1993

An Act Imposing Term Limits on Legislative Leadership Positions.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LIBBY of Buxton.
Cosponsored by Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln and
Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, ANDERSON of Woodland, BAILEY of Township 27,
BARTH of Bethel, BENNETT of Norway, BRUNO of Raymond, CAMERON of Rumford,
CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, CARR of Sanford, CLUKEY of Houlton,
CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, FARREN of
Cherryfield, GRAY of Sedgwick, GREENLAW of Standish, HILLOCK of Gorham, JOY of
Island Falls, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KNEELAND of Easton, KUTASI of Bridgton,
LEMONT of Kittery, LORD of Waterboro, MacBRIDE of Presque Isle, NICKERSON of
Turner, NORTON of Winthrop, PENDEXTER of Scarborough, PLOURDE of Biddeford,
QUINT of Paris, REED of Dexter, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIMONEAU of Thomaston,
SMALL of Bath, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STEVENS of Sabattus, TARDY of Palmyra, TAYLOR
of Cumberland, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, VIGUE of Winslow,
WHITCOMB of Waldo, YOUNG of Limestone, ZIRNKILTON of Mount Desert, Senator:
CARPENTER of York.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

4 Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §21-A is enacted to read:

6 §21-A. President of Senate; term limitation

8 After December 2, 1992, a person may not serve as President
10 of the Senate for more than 4 consecutive legislative bienniums.
Service as President of the Senate before December 2, 1992 is not
included in the calculation of years served.

12 Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §41-A is enacted to read:

14 §41-A. Speaker of House of Representatives; term limitation

16 After December 2, 1992, a person may not serve as Speaker of
18 the House of Representatives for more than 4 consecutive
legislative bienniums. Service as Speaker of the House of
20 Representatives before December 2, 1992 is not included in the
calculation of years served.

22 Sec. 3. 3 MRSA §161-A is enacted to read:

24 §161-A. Legislative Council; term limitation

26 After December 2, 1992, a person may not serve as a member
28 of the Legislative Council for more than 4 consecutive
legislative bienniums. Service as a member of the Legislative
30 Council before December 2, 1992 is not included in the
calculation of years served.

32 Sec. 4. Retroactivity. This Act takes effect retroactively to
34 December 2, 1992.

36 STATEMENT OF FACT

38 This bill limits the terms that the President of the Senate,
40 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and members of the
42 Legislative Council may serve to 4 consecutive legislative
bienniums. Calculation of time served begins with the First
Regular Session of the 116th Legislature on December 2, 1992.