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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
107th LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to H.P. 1510, L.D. 1827, RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for Annual Sessions of the Legislature and to Change the Date of Convening of the Legislature.

Amend said Resolution by striking out all of that part designated "Constitution, Art. IV, Pt. 3, §1" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Constitution, Art. IV, Pt. 3, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Section 1. To meet annually; power of Legislature to convene itself at other times. The Legislature shall convene on the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January following the general election in what shall be styled the first regular session of the Legislature, which shall last no longer than one hundred legislative days, and shall further convene on the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January in the subsequent year in what shall be styled the second regular session of the Legislature, which shall last no longer than fifty legislative days; provided, however, that the business of the second regular session of the Legislature shall be limited to budgetary matters, legislation in the Governor's message, legislation recommended by a legislative committee authorized by the Legislature to so recommend and legislation referred to committees for study and report by the first regular session.

The Legislature shall convene upon extraordinary occasions on the call of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, with the consent of a majority of the Members of the Legislature of each political party, all Members of the Legislature having been first polled and, with the exceptions hereinafter stated, shall have full power to make

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and establish all reasonable laws and regulations for the defense and benefit of the people of this State, not repugnant to this Constitution, nor to that of the United States. A session convened under this section upon an extraordinary occasion shall last no longer than twenty-five legislative days.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to limit the length of the first and second regular legislative sessions, to specify the matters that may be considered during the second regular session, to provide that the Legislature may convene itself into session on extraordinary occasions and to limit the length of extraordinary sessions to 25 days.

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