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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
108TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

L.D. 2199

(Filing No. S-582)

SENATE AMENDMENT " Q " to S.P. 748, L.D. 2199, Bill, "AN ACT to Make Additional Corrections of Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine."

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the Emergency clause the following:

'Sec. 371. 3 MRSA §151, 5th ¶, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 771, §11, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

If the committee shall fail to recommend confirmation or denial within the 20 days set out in this paragraph, that failure shall, for the purposes of this section, be considered a recommendation of confirmation.

'Sec. 372. 3 MRSA §151, as amended by PL 1977, c. 291, is further amended by adding before the last paragraph a new paragraph to read:

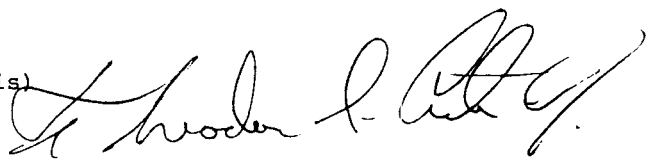
The Governor may nominate, and the committee and the Senate may consider and act on nominations, to positions which shall become vacant after the Senate action, provided that the Governor's authority to appoint does not expire before the date at which the position becomes vacant or otherwise available for appointment and, if the Senate is not in regular session, another meeting of the Senate is not scheduled prior to the date when the position becomes vacant or otherwise available for appointment.'

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to permit propective appointments, particularly in the interim between legislative sessions, to allow nomination and confirmation of nominees to positions which become vacant or are created by operation of law after scheduled Senate meetings. This law would not permit appointments to vacancies beyond the appointing Governor's term of office. The amendment also provides for Senate action on confirmations if the committee fails to act.

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