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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
115TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

14 SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 894, L.D. 2299, Bill, "An Act
Relating to Legislative Confirmation Hearings"

16 Amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph in the
18 4th line from the end (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out
the following: "45" and inserting in its place the following: '30'

20 Further amend the bill in section 1 in the first paragraph
22 in the last line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by inserting after the
following: "Representatives" the following: ', except that
24 hearings on judicial nominations and Workers' Compensation
Commission nominations must be held by the joint standing
26 committee having jurisdiction over judiciary matters within 35
days of the Governor's written notice'

28 Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and
inserting in its place the following:

30 'Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §151, 6th ¶, as amended by PL 1989, c. 25, is
32 further amended to read:

34 The committee shall recommend confirmation or denial by
36 majority vote of committee members present and voting. The vote
of the committee shall--be is taken only upon an affirmative
38 motion to recommend confirmation of the nominee. A tie vote of
the committee shall--be is considered a recommendation of denial.
The vote shall must be taken no later than 30 days from the date
40 of the Governor's written notice of the nomination to the
President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
42 Representatives, except that the vote on judicial nominations and
Workers' Compensation Commission nominations must be taken no
44 later than 35 days from the date of the Governor's written
notice. The committee vote shall--be is by the yeas and nays.'

SENATE AMENDMENT

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Further amend the bill in section 3 in the first paragraph in the 10th line (page 1, line 47 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "45 80" and inserting in its place the following: '45'

Further amend the bill in section 3 in the last line (page 1, line 49 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Representatives" the following: 'except that the vote of the Senate on the recommendations of the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over judiciary matters on judicial nominations and Workers' Compensation Commission nominations must be taken no later than 50 days after the Governor's written notice'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment retains the current time periods for confirmation hearings and Senate votes on nominations, except that an extra 5 days is provided for hearings on judicial and Workers' Compensation Commission nominations.

(Senator GAUVREAU)
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