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**House of Representatives**  
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ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
11th Legislative Day  
Wednesday, February 3, 1999

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Reverend Arthur W. Greeley, Poland (retired).

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctor of the day, Francis Schumann, M.D., Machias (retired).

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

The following Joint Order: (S.P. 190)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Select Committee on the Year 2000 Computer Problem is established as follows.

1. Establishment. The Joint Select Committee on the Year 2000 Computer Problem, referred to in this order as the "committee," is established.

2. Membership. The committee consists of 3 members from the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate and 10 members from the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House. The first Senate member named is the Senate chair and the first House member named is the House chair.

3. Responsibilities. The responsibilities of the committee include the following:

A. To assess the prevalence of and problems related to the year 2000 computer problem in the public and private sector;

B. To periodically report to the Legislature regarding the progress made by public and private sector businesses and organizations to address the problem; and

C. To report to the Legislature solutions that may be aided by legislative or other action.

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **PASSED**.

**READ.**

On motion of Representative SAXL of Portland, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

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Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Land to Convey a Well and Waterline Easement

(S.P. 270) (L.D. 763)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Include a Podiatrist in the Definition of Physician"

(S.P. 294) (L.D. 866)

Bill "An Act to Change the Reimbursement Policy on Mental Health Services"

(S.P. 309) (L.D. 911)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend Maine's Payroll Processing Laws"

(S.P. 297) (L.D. 869)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Allow Preliminary Steps to be Taken in Preparation for the Mandatory Use of Conviction Data in Teacher Screening" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 274) (L.D. 792)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

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Resolve, to Amend the Requirements for Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs

(S.P. 295) (L.D. 867)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Remove Certain Records Concerning Minors From the Definition of 'Public Records'"

(S.P. 301) (L.D. 874)

Bill "An Act to Create Standards for Guardians Ad Litem in Certain Domestic Relations Matters"

(S.P. 306) (L.D. 908)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Make Uniform Hours for Agency Liquor Stores"

(S.P. 293) (L.D. 865)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Requirement of Cash on Delivery for Beer and Wine Sales to Businesses"

(S.P. 296) (L.D. 868)

Bill "An Act to Improve the Maine Clean Election Act"

(S.P. 300) (L.D. 872)

Bill "An Act to Clarify Municipal Responsibility for the Maintenance of Veterans' Gravesites"

(S.P. 302) (L.D. 873)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Process for Granting Aquaculture Leases"

(S.P. 299) (L.D. 871)

Bill "An Act Concerning the 1999 Elver Fishery" (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 303) (L.D. 905)

Bill "An Act to Improve Elver Fishery Management"

(S.P. 304) (L.D. 906)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Land Application of Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge"

(S.P. 307) (L.D. 909)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Amend the Tax Law Regarding Tax Liability of Innocent Spouses"

(S.P. 308) (L.D. 910)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Transition to Electric Utility Competition"

(S.P. 305) (L.D. 907)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **UTILITIES AND ENERGY** in concurrence.

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#### COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: (S.P. 310)  
**119TH MAINE LEGISLATURE**

February 1, 1999

Senator Marge Kilkelly

Representative Matthew Dunlap

Chairpersons

Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

119th Legislature

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Kilkelly and Representative Dunlap:

Please be advised that Governor Angus S. King, Jr. has nominated Lila S. Ware of Skowhegan, Ellen N. Peters of New

Gloucester and Richard A. Heal of Acton for reappointment and Matthew P. Libby of Ashland, Kenneth E. Bailey of Camden and Don Palmer of Rangeley for appointment as members of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, M.R.S.A., §7033-A, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Mark W. Lawrence

President of the Senate

S/G. Steven Rowe

Speaker of the House

Came from the Senate, **READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**.

**READ** and **REFERRED** to the Committee on **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE** in concurrence.

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The Following Communication: (S.C. 39)

**THE SENATE OF MAINE**  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
**3 STATE HOUSE STATION**  
**AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333**

February 2, 1999

The Honorable G. Steven Rowe

Speaker of the House

119th Maine Legislature

2 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Speaker Rowe:

In accordance with Joint Rule 506, please be advised that the Senate today confirmed, upon the recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development, the nominations of Steven H. Levesque of Farmingdale for appointment as Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development; Albert L. Watt of Sinclair, Daniel LaPointe of Van Buren and Paul Cariani of Presque Isle for reappointment, and Philip A. Cyr of Caribou for appointment as members of the Loring Development Authority of Maine.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

S/Joy J. O'Brien

Secretary of the Senate

**READ** and **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE**.

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#### PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for Concurrence:

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#### APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act to Improve Access to Health Care for School-age Children"

(H.P. 681) (L.D. 937)

Presented by Representative FULLER of Manchester.

Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of York and Representatives HEIDRICH of Oxford, HONEY of Boothbay, KANE of Saco, MURPHY of Berwick, RICHARD of Madison, ROWE of Portland,

Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock.

Bill "An Act to Implement the Tobacco Settlement"

(H.P. 687) (L.D. 943)

Presented by Representative TOWNSEND of Portland.

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### BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act to Require That Certified Public Accounting and Public Accounting Firms Have a Majority of Their Owners Hold Certificates"

(H.P. 685) (L.D. 941)

Presented by Representative WINSOR of Norway.

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Resolve, to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Study Strategies to Support Parents as Children's First Teachers

(H.P. 689) (L.D. 956)

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor.

Cosponsored by President LAWRENCE of York and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, MURPHY of Kennebunk, ROWE of Portland, STEDMAN of Hartland, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CATHCART of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook.

Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** suggested.

On motion of Representative BRENNAN of Portland, the Resolve was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

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### JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act to Establish the Juvenile Division of the District Court"

(H.P. 686) (L.D. 942)

Presented by Representative GLYNN of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: PLOWMAN of Hampden, SCHNEIDER of Durham.

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Bill "An Act to Protect Victims of Crimes in the Workplace"

(H.P. 688) (L.D. 944)

Presented by Representative SAXL of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, HATCH of Skowhegan, MURPHY of Kennebunk, MUSE of South Portland, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, DOUGLASS of Androscoggin, LAWRENCE of York.

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### NATURAL RESOURCES

Bill "An Act to Permit Property Owners to Put Sand on and Rake Their Beaches"

(H.P. 684) (L.D. 940)

Presented by Representative MACK of Standish.

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### TAXATION

Bill "An Act to Exempt Maine Residents on Active Military Duty from State Income Tax"

(H.P. 683) (L.D. 939)

Presented by Representative KANE of Saco.

Cosponsored by Representative COWGER of Hallowell.

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Bill "An Act to Make It Illegal to Pass on Solid Center Lines"

(H.P. 682) (L.D. 938)

Presented by Representative WHEELER of Eliot.

Cosponsored by Senator KONTOS of Cumberland and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, TUTTLE of Sanford, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

Bill "An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2000 and June 30, 2001" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 690) (L.D. 957)

Presented by Representative JABAR of Waterville. (Governor's Bill)

Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, LINDAHL of Northport, MURPHY of Berwick, SAVAGE of Union, TESSIER of Fairfield, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, MILLS of Somerset, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and Highway Funds and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2000 and June 30, 2001" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 691) (L.D. 958)

Presented by Representative JABAR of Waterville. (Governor's Bill)

Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, LINDAHL of Northport, MURPHY of Berwick, SAVAGE of Union, TESSIER of Fairfield, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, MILLS of Somerset, RUHLIN of Penobscot.

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### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

#### Change of Committee

Representative O'NEAL from the Committee on **BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** on Bill "An Act to Allow Reimbursement of Registered Nurse First Assistants for Surgical Procedures"

(H.P. 22) (L.D. 32)

Reporting that it be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE**.

Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **REFERRED** to the Committee on **BANKING AND INSURANCE**.

Sent for concurrence.

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By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment yesterday, have preference in the Orders of the Day and continue with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act to Submit Legislative Term Limits to Referendum in November 1999"

(H.P. 472) (L.D. 679)

(Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** suggested)  
 TABLED - January 28, 1999 by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

PENDING - Motion of Representative GERRY of Auburn to REFER to Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

Representative TUTTLE of Sanford **REQUESTED** a roll call on the motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Tuttle.

Representative **TUTTLE**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. In reference to LD 679, after much discussion with the sponsor, chairs of the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs, also with the chairs of the Committee on State and Local Government, the Clerk and the President of the Senate and the presiding officer of this body, we have concurred that this bill should be referred to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs. Specifically because it is a referendum issue, historically, they have always gone to Legal and Veterans Affairs because they handle election law. Therefore, it is for that reason that I will oppose the motion to refer this bill to the Committee on State and Local Government in hopes that we would send this bill to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs, which it was referred to in the first part.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Madawaska, Representative Ahearne.

Representative **AHEARNE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I must concur with good friend from Sanford, Representative Tuttle. This bill should go to Legal and Veterans Affairs. It has to deal with a referendum with term limits. If it were just an issue statutory language on term limits, it would be proper to send it to State and Local Government, but, however, this is a referendum issue with term limits and it deals with elections. It should go to Legal and Veterans Affairs. I would hope that you would defeat the pending motion so we could have the proper motion to send it to Legal and Veterans Affairs.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Auburn, Representative Gerry.

Representative **GERRY**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The reason why I referred this to State and Local Government instead of Legal and Veterans Affairs was a simple issue that our committee is looking at probably six or eight term limit bills from one gamete of changing them from one side to the other. I just felt it was appropriate, the issue of term limits, whether or not it should go back to the people for a vote, whether we thought term limits was right or wrong for whatever the reason, should come back to our committee, which is State and Local. Regardless of the fact that it had a referendum clause to it.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Gorham, Representative Labrecque.

Representative **LABRECQUE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. If you will take a moment to look at the language in the bill, you will see that it is dealing with an election. Election laws come before Legal and Veterans Affairs. I do ask that you follow the light of Representative Tuttle and Representative Ahearne. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 10**

**YEA** - Andrews, Belanger, Buck, Gerry, Glynn, Gooley, Honey, Jodrey, Jones, Joy, Kasprzak, Mack, Marvin, Mendros, Nass, O'Brien, Perkins, Pinkham, Richardson E, Rines, Shields, Shorey, Snowe-Mello, Stedman, Tobin J, Trahan, Treadwell, Waterhouse, Weston.

**NAY** - Ahearne, Bagley, Baker, Berry DP, Berry RL, Bolduc, Bouffard, Bowles, Brennan, Brooks, Bruno, Bryant, Bull, Bumps, Cameron, Carr, Chick, Chizmar, Cianchette, Clark, Clough, Collins, Colwell, Cote, Cowger, Cross, Daigle, Davidson, Davis, Desmond, Dudley, Dugay, Duncan, Dunlap, Duplessie, Etnier, Fisher, Foster, Frechette, Fuller, Gagne, Gagnon, Gillis, Goodwin, Hatch, Heidrich, Jacobs, Kane, Kneeland, Labrecque, LaVerdiere, Lemoine, Lemont, Lindahl, MacDougall, Madore, Mailhot, Martin, Matthews, Mayo, McAlevey, McDonough, McGlocklin, McKee, McKenney, McNeil, Mitchell, Murphy E, Murphy T, Muse, Norbert, Nutting, O'Neal, O'Neil, Peavey, Perry, Pih, Povich, Powers, Quint, Richard, Richardson J, Rosen, Samson, Sanborn, Savage C, Savage W, Saxl JW, Saxl MV, Schneider, Sherman, Sirois, Skoglund, Stanley, Stevens, Sullivan, Tessier, Tobin D, Townsend, Tracy, Tripp, True, Tuttle, Twomey, Volenik, Watson, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Williams, Winsor, Mr. Speaker.

**ABSENT** - Bragdon, Campbell, Gamache, Green, Jabar, Lovett, Plowman, Shiah, Stanwood, Thompson, Usher.

Yes, 29; No, 111; Absent, 11; Excused, 0.

29 having voted in the affirmative and 111 voted in the negative, with 11 being absent, the motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** **FAILED**.

Representative TUTTLE of Sanford moved that the Bill be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**.

Representative GERRY of Auburn moved that the Bill be **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Sanford, Representative Tuttle.

Representative **TUTTLE**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I would hope that you would defeat this motion. We have had a vote on this issue already. I refer again to the issue that it is a strictly referendum issue. Because of that, I would ask that you would defeat the motion and would request a roll call, Mr. Speaker.

Representative TUTTLE of Sanford **REQUESTED** a roll call on motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**.

More than one-fifth of the members present expressed a desire for a roll call which was ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Auburn, Representative Gerry.

Representative **GERRY**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. The reason I have made this joint reference is, one, State and Local Committee has been referred at least six or more possible bills dealing with term limits from one range of changing them to the other. The other part of why I wanted Legal and Veterans Affairs is to settle the dispute on

referendum. To find out from the public what they think of whether or not this should go back to the people.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Waldoboro, Representative Trahan.

Representative **TRAHAN**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. Since I have been in Augusta, I have found that there are a lot of things that appear one way and then end up being different. I get the feeling that the Representative would like to have this bill heard on the floor. We are going through these motions to guarantee that this bill will reach her committee and be heard. Personally, I am not afraid to debate this on the floor. I think we should look at this bill and we should vote on it and it should be a recorded vote. It is a very important issue. I think out of respect for the Representative who seems to be fighting desperately to get this to a committee, that we should send it there. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Madawaska, Representative Ahearne.

Representative **AHEARNE**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I think it should be properly before Legal and Veterans Affairs and not State and Local Government for the reasons that I think we said that we would like it to be. I don't see how that is going to be an issue. The real problem looks like it would come back to this body and the other body and we will have great discussion on this and there will be a recorded vote. That is pretty much a guarantee. I ask you to defeat the pending motion and it should go to Legal and Veterans Affairs.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Topsham, Representative Tripp.

Representative **TRIPP**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. When I submitted this legislation, I didn't realize we were going to have such a problem of referencing. It seems to me that it is a simple fact of sending it to Legal and Veterans Affairs. Get it done. We will have the debate on the House floor. I urge you to defeat the motion that is currently pending.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Fryeburg, Representative True.

Representative **TRUE**: Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I wasn't going to speak on this, however, because I am not now a member of the Legal and Veterans Affairs Committee, but it seems to me and I know that serving six years on this particular committee that all of the elections and referendums and so forth are referred to that committee. Also, if somebody want to check, I voted for term limits. However, I think there is something else that should be considered and that is that each time that we, as individuals, are going to take exceptions that it is not going to come to their committee and then we have to go through this process, it is entirely new, as the good Speaker has said and I am a little leery of the process being changed at this time. I would urge you to support the first vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been ordered. The pending question before the House is Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs and the Committee on State and Local Government. All those in favor will vote yes, those opposed will vote no.

**ROLL CALL NO. 11**

YEA - Andrews, Bowles, Buck, Clough, Gerry, Glynn, Jones, Joy, Kasprzak, MacDougall, Mack, Madore, Marvin, Mendros, Nass, O'Brien, Pinkham, Rosen, Schneider, Shields, Shorey, Snowe-Mello, Stedman, Tobin D, Tobin J, Trahan, Treadwell, Waterhouse, Weston, Winsor.

NAY - Ahearne, Bagley, Baker, Belanger, Berry DP, Berry RL, Bolduc, Bouffard, Brennan, Brooks, Bruno, Bryant,

Bull, Bumps, Cameron, Carr, Chick, Chizmar, Cianchette, Clark, Collins, Colwell, Cote, Cowger, Cross, Daigle, Davidson, Davis, Desmond, Dudley, Dugay, Duncan, Dunlap, Duplessie, Etnier, Fisher, Foster, Frechette, Fuller, Gagne, Gagnon, Gillis, Goodwin, Gooley, Hatch, Heidrich, Honey, Jabar, Jacobs, Jodrey, Kane, Kneeland, Labrecque, LaVerdiere, Lemoine, Lemont, Lindahl, Mailhot, Martin, Matthews, Mayo, McAlevey, McDorough, McGlocklin, McKee, McKenney, McNeil, Mitchell, Murphy E, Murphy T, Norbert, Nutting, O'Neal, O'Neil, Peavey, Perkins, Perry, Pieh, Povich, Powers, Quint, Richard, Richardson E, Richardson J, Rines, Samson, Sanborn, Savage C, Savage W, Saxl JW, Saxl MV, Sherman, Sirois, Skoglund, Stanley, Stevens, Sullivan, Tessier, Townsend, Tracy, Tripp, True, Tuttle, Twomey, Usher, Volenik, Watson, Wheeler EM, Wheeler GJ, Williams, Mr. Speaker.

ABSENT - Bragdon, Campbell, Gamache, Green, Lovett, Muse, Plowman, Shiah, Stanwood, Thompson.

Yes, 30; No, 111; Absent, 10; Excused, 0.

30 having voted in the affirmative and 111 voted in the negative, with 10 being absent, the motion to **REFER** the Bill to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS** and the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FAILED**

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LEGAL AND VETERAN AFFAIRS**, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase State Funding for the Purchase of School Buses"

(H.P. 522) (L.D. 729)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** on January 26, 1999.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - February 2, 1999 (Till Later Today) by Representative SHIAH of Bowdoinham.

PENDING - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

On motion of Representative TOWNSEND of Portland, the House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Bill "An Act to Provide Term Limits for the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives"

(H.P. 654) (L.D. 904)

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested)

TABLED - February 2, 1999 (Till Later Today) by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

On motion of Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and specially assigned for Thursday, February 4, 1999.

Bill "An Act to Provide Computers for Use in the Legislature" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 666) (L.D. 922)

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested)

TABLED - February 2, 1999 (Till Later Today) by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

On motion of Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and specially assigned for Thursday, February 4, 1999.

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On motion of Representative BAGLEY of Machias, the House adjourned at 11:20 a.m., until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, February 4, 1999.