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Pingree, Piotti, Richardson D, Richardson E, Rines, Robinson, Saviello, Schatz, Simpson, Smith N, Tardy, Thompson, Trahan, Twomey, Valentino, Walcott, Webster, Wheeler, Woodbury, Mr. Speaker.

NAY - Annis, Ash, Austin, Beaudette, Bierman, Bishop, Bowen, Bowles, Browne W, Campbell, Carr, Cebra, Churchill, Clough, Collins, Cressey, Crosthwaite, Curtis, Daigle, Davis G, Davis K, Edgecomb, Fitts, Fletcher, Flood, Glynn, Hall, Hamper, Hanley B, Hanley S, Jacobsen, Jennings, Jodrey, Joy, Kaelin, Lansley, Lewin, McCormick, McFadden, McKenney, McLeod, Millett, Moody, Moulton, Nutting, Pinkham, Plummer, Rector, Richardson M, Richardson W, Rosen, Sampson, Seavey, Sherman, Shields, Sykes, Thomas, Tuttle, Vaughan.

ABSENT - Berube, Bliss, Canavan, Crosby, Dudley, Duplessie, Emery, Fischer, Goldman, Greeley, Hotham, Koffman, Marean, Moore G, Ott, Smith W, Stedman, Watson.

Yes, 74; No. 59; Absent, 18; Excused, 0.

74 having voted in the affirmative and 59 voted in the negative, with 18 being absent, and accordingly the House Paper was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended and sent for concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

An Act To Establish the Uniform Partnership Act and the Uniform Limited Partnership Act

(S.P. 591) (L.D. 1609) (C. "A" S-506)

TABLED - March 30, 2006 (Till Later Today) by Representative DUPLESSIE of Westbrook.

PENDING - PASSAGE TO BE ENACTED.

Subsequently, the Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

ENACTORS

Constitutional Amendment

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Procedures for the People's Veto and Direct Initiative

(S.P. 782) (L.D. 2033)

(C. "A" S-513)

On motion of Representative PATRICK of Rumford, the rules were **SUSPENDED** for the purpose of **RECONSIDERATION**.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House RECONSIDERED its action whereby the Resolve was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED.

On further motion of the same Representative, the rules were SUSPENDED for the purpose of FURTHER RECONSIDERATION.

On further motion of the same Representative, the House RECONSIDERED its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" (S-513) was ADOPTED.

The same Representative PRESENTED House Amendment "A" (H-895) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-513) which was READ by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Rumford, Representative Patrick.

Representative **PATRICK**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Men and Women of the House. I will try to explain what the amendment does. Without the amendment there may still be some confusion with regards to deadlines for petitions. The amendment makes it very clear that the 18-month circulation period is in conjunction with when the petitions are due either on the 25th or 50th day after the convening of the Legislature. Without the floor amendment there is some question that it could be interpreted to provide either deadline as an option. So even if the 18-month circulation period is not over, the petitions still must be in on the 50th day for the first legislative session or the 25th day after the second legislative session. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

House Amendment "A" (H-895) to Committee Amendment "A" (S-513) was ADOPTED.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-513) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-895) thereto was ADOPTED.

The RESOLUTION was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-513) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-895) thereto in NON-CONCURRENCE and sent for concurrence. ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH.

Emergency Measure

An Act Regarding the Sharing of Costs in Certain School Districts

(S.P. 750) (L.D. 1953) (C. "A" S-495)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Bangor, Representative Norton.

Representative **NORTON**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This item is already taken care of in the budget so there is no need for this bill.

On motion of Representative NORTON of Bangor, the Bill and all accompanying papers were **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

Emergency Measure

An Act To Establish a Computer Crimes Unit within the Maine State Police Crime Laboratory

(S.P. 779) (L.D. 2028) (C. "A" S-519)

Reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 123 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Bill was PASSED TO BE ENACTED, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 120: Release of Data to the Public, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization

(H.P. 1384) (L.D. 1976)

Reported by the Committee on **Engrossed Bills** as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure, a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken. 118 voted in favor of the same and 0 against, and accordingly the Resolve was **FINALLY PASSED**, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.