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rules, the House reconsidered its action of June 15 whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

The same gentleman offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" (H-475) was read by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Smith.

Mr. SMITH: Mr. Speaker, would the gentleman explain this amendment, please?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Smith, poses a question through the Chair to the gentleman from Lubec, Mr. Donaghy, who may answer if he chooses; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. DONAGHY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In the haste of drafting these reorganization bills — this bill is not, strictly speaking, one of them — but in drafting it a term was used in there, this bit about the director which should not have been included. And this is simply taking out that provision about the director.

Thereupon House Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

An Act relating to a Department of Commerce and Industry (H. P. 1416) (L. D. 1839)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Enactor

Tabled and Assigned

An Act Providing for the Taxation and Preservation of Farm, Forest and Open Space Land (H. P. 1418) (L. D. 1834)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eagle Lake, Mr. Martin.

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: As you well know, this is the bill which would implement the

constitutional amendment which the people of the State adopted in a referendum two years ago. There appears to be probably a problem that will have to be resolved; since we have already enacted L. D. 1788, An Act Revising the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission Law, it is now possible that amendments will have to be put into 1834 to make it workable. So I would suggest that someone would table this until we find out what the story is.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Ross of Bath, tabled pending passage to be enacted and tomorrow assigned.

Passed to Be Engrossed Amended

Bill "An Act Establishing a State-Municipal Revenue Sharing Program" (H. P. 1428) (L. D. 1859)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

Mr. Carey of Waterville offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" (H-490) was read by the Clerk.

The SPEAKER: The same gentleman may proceed.

Mr. CAREY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: All this does is correct a typographical error on the third page of the bill, and replaces the figure \$1,539,000 with \$2,539,000 so it will agree with the rest of the bill.

Thereupon, House Amendment "A" was adopted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dixmont, Mr. Millett.

Mr. MILLETT: Mr. Speaker, Members of the House: This bill has been before us for a long time this session, going way back to L.D. 603. It appears to me that it is rather late in the session to expect such a bill of major proportions to be acceptable to a majority of the members of this body and the other body, without some sort of explanation.

I am really searching for somebody to get up here and explain this to me, and try to convince me that this method of distributing money is in fact an equitable method. And I want to lay the