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An Act To Reduce the Length of the Legislative Sessions

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §2, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1985, c. 166, is further amended to read:

The first regular session of the Legislature, after its convening, shall adjourn no later than the 3rd Wednesday in June and the 2nd regular session of the Legislature shall adjourn no later than the 3rd Wednesday in April. The Legislature, in case of emergency, may by a vote of 2/3 of the members of each House present and voting, extend the date for adjournment for the first or 2nd regular session by no more than 5 legislative days, and in case of further emergency, may by a vote of 2/3 of the members of each House present and voting, further extend the date for adjournment by 5 additional legislative days. The times for adjournment for the first and 2nd regular sessions may also be extended for one additional legislative day for the purpose of considering possible objections of the Governor to any bill or resolution presented to himthe Governor by the Legislature under the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part Third, Section 2.

SUMMARY

This bill advances the statutory adjournment date of the Legislature by 10 business days in the first regular session and by 5 business days in the second regular session.