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RULES REPORT NO. 22, BILL NO. A.9584

MR. CANESTRARI: Mr. Speaker, we will now go to the A-Calendar previously advanced and go to page 3 on the A-Calendar, Rules Report No. 22 and take up the bill directly, Mr. Jack McEneny. Thank you.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: We will proceed to the A-Calendar, Rules Report No. 22, the Clerk will read.

THE CLERK: Bill No. 9584, Rules Report No. 22, McEneny. An act to amend the State Law, in relation to the description of certain Assembly and Senate districts.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: On a motion of Mr. McEneny, the Senate bill is before the House and the Senate bill is advanced and there is an explanation requested.

Mr. McEneny.

MR. MCENENY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The bill before us is a clean-up bill, essentially a technical bill to the one that we passed last week creating 213 new districts for the upcoming election and for the new districts for the 10 years following our terms of office. Most of the descriptions -- it affects about 10 percent of the districts that were created. Most of the changes are verbiage in the metes and bounds; avenues that should have been streets and Main Streets that should have been North Main Street and that type of thing. There are a couple of towns that were, in one case, double counted in a Senate district, now it's only one; in another one not counted at all, now that's been corrected, and there are some very minor block changes in several others.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: Read the last section.

THE CLERK: This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: The Clerk will record the vote.

(The Clerk recorded the vote.)

MR. CANESTRARI: Colleagues, first vote of the day, Rules Report No. 22. Please join us. Let's move this along. First vote. Thank you.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: Mr. DenDekker to explain his vote.

MR. DENDEKKER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm

very concerned with some of the policies and principles that have been going on lately in our Chamber and next-door. I would think that one of the imminent problems that we would have would be to remove and to move our primary date in the State of New York to a date that would coincide with Federal law so that this State would be able to save some \$45- to \$50 million for what it's going to cost to have that third additional primary. Also, because the primary date is on September 11th, which will be the eleventh anniversary of the worst terrorist attack that ever affected this country, I would hope that we will at least consider moving the date, not only to save the \$50 million, but also out of respect for the events that occurred that day.

I will be voting in the affirmative on this particular piece of legislation, though, but I am disappointed that that was not included.

ACTING SPEAKER P. RIVERA: Are there any other votes? The Clerk will announce the results.

(The Clerk announced the results.)

The bill is passed.