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Richard HR No. 121

Abstract: Provides that the Clerk shall close the voting machine after 10 seconds.

<u>Present House Rule</u> provides that questions shall be distinctly put in this form: "As many of you as are in favor (here the question is stated) shall vote 'Yes'; those opposed shall vote 'No.' The Clerk shall open the machine." <u>Present House Rule</u> further provides that after the roll call is recorded, the presiding officer shall then rise and state the decision of the House.

<u>Proposed House Rule</u> retains <u>present House Rule</u> and additionally provides that after the voting machine has been open for 10 seconds, the Clerk shall close the machine.

(Amends House Rule 10.4)