

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 106TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT" A " to H.P. 1846, L.D. 2339, Bill, "AN ACT to Repeal Milk Control Prices at the Retail Level and Make Certain Changes in the Membership of the Maine Milk Commission and the Dairy Council Committee."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 4,5 and 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'<u>Referendum for ratification</u>. The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this State are empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives, at the next general election to give in their votes upon the acceptance or rejection of the foregoing Act, and the question shall be:

"Shall 'AN ACT to Repeal Milk Control Prices at the Retail Level and Make Certain Changes in the Membership of the Maine Milk Commission and the Dairy Council Committee,' as enacted by the 106th Legislature, be accepted?"

The inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed within a square upon their ballots their opinion of the same, those in favor of ratification voting "Yes" and those opposed to ratification voting "No" and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings, and return made to the office of the Secretary of State in the

same manner as votes for Governor and Members of the Legislature, and the Governor and Council shall review the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question

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are in favor of said Act, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the Act shall thereupon become effective in 30 days after the date of the said proclamation.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing Act, accompanied by a copy thereof.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to delete sections 4, 5 and 6 from the bill and to add a referendum for ratification.

Filed by Mr. LaPointe of Portland.

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