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(Filing No. H-10)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 23, L.D. 32, Bill, "AN ACT to Delete the Requirement that a Candidate's Name on a General Election Ballot Must be Followed by a Community Designation."

Amend the Bill in the title by inserting after the word "Ballot" the words 'and Primary Ballot'

Further amend the Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. 21 MRSA §701, sub-§2, ¶A, last sentence, is repealed as follows:

~~NAMES-WRITTEN-IN-OR-ON-STICKERS-MUST-SHOW-THE-MUNICIPALITY-OF RESIDENCE-OF-EACH-WRITE-IN-CANDIDATE-~~

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA §701, sub-§2, ¶B, as amended by PL 1973, c. 414, §30, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

B. Name of candidate. The ballot shall contain the name of each candidate arranged under the proper office designation alphabetically by last name. The name of each candidate may be printed on the ballot in only one space.

Sec. 3. 21 MRSA §701, sub-§2, ¶D, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 414, §31, is further amended to read:

D. Space for write-ins. At the end of the list of candidates for nomination to each office, there must be left as many blank spaces as there are vacancies to be filled, in which a voter may write or paste the name, with the ~~surname~~ last name first or last, without any title, of any person for whom he desires to vote, ~~in which event he shall write in or paste in the residence of the person whose name is written in, before his vote shall be counted.~~

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Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections 1 and 2 to be sections 4 and 5.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to include primary ballots in the bill.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Election Laws.

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