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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-537)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 905, L.D. 1126, Bill, "AN ACT to Facilitate Absentee Voting in Foreign Jurisdictions."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'21 MRSA §1254, sub-§1, 2nd sentence, as amended by PL 1967, c. 163, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

When he is outside the State but within the United States the voter shall mark his ballot before a notary public having a seal or functional equivalent and when he is outside of the United States the voter shall mark his ballot and return the ballot as provided in subsection 5.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment deletes the requirement for notarization of absentee ballots by Maine residents who are temporarily in foreign countries at election time.

Reported by the Committee on Election Laws Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 5/30/79 (Filing No. H-537)