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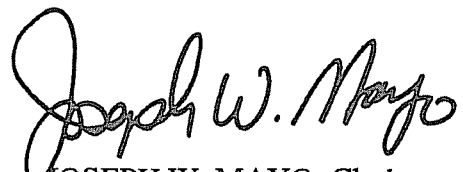
No. 437

H.P. 334

House of Representatives, February 11, 1993

An Act to Provide for the Popular Election of the Superintendent of Insurance.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ALIBERTI of Lewiston, CARON of Biddeford, CLARK of Millinocket, COFFMAN of Old Town, FITZPATRICK of Durham, HOLT of Bath, LEMKE of Westbrook, NADEAU of Saco, PINETTE of Fort Kent, POULIOT of Lewiston, SULLIVAN of Bangor, TARDY of Palmyra, VIGUE of Winslow, Senator: PARADIS of Aroostook.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

4 Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §201, as amended by PL 1987, c. 402, Pt. A,
§151, is further amended to read:

6 **§201. Superintendent of Insurance; term**

8 1. The Superintendent of Insurance is the head of the
Bureau of Insurance.

10 2. The Beginning with the statewide election in November
12 1994, the superintendent shall must be appointed elected by the
14 Governor-and-subject-to-review-by-the-joint-standing-committee-of
the-Legislature-having-jurisdiction-over-banking-and-insurance
and-to-confirmation-by-the-Legislature qualified electors.

16 3. The superintendent shall-hold-his holds office for 5 4
18 years or-until-his-successor-has-been-appointed-and-has-qualified
from the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday of January next
20 following the election until a successor has been elected. Any
22 vacancy occurring shall must be filled by temporary appointment
for-the-unexpired-portion-of-the-term by the Governor until a
successor is elected at the next general or statewide election.

24 4. The superintendent shall-be is removable for cause by
26 impeachment or by address of the Governor to both branches of the
Legislature, and Title 5, section 931, subsection 2, shall does
28 not apply.

30 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

32 This bill provides for the popular election of the
34 Superintendent of Insurance, beginning with the statewide
election held in November 1994 and reduces the term of office
36 from 5 years to 4 years.