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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
116TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 994, L.D. 1336,  
"RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine  
to Allow Maine Citizens to Propose Constitutional Amendments by  
Initiative"

Amend the resolution in section 4-A in subsection 1 in the  
5th line (page 1, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following:  
"10%" and inserting in its place the following: '15%'

Further amend the resolution by inserting at the end before  
the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The estimated cost of sending this Constitutional Amendment  
out to referendum will vary according to the total number of  
referenda enacted during the First Regular Session of the 116th  
Legislature. The estimated cost to the Secretary of State if one  
to 6 referenda are enacted is \$95,000. Each additional  
referendum costs an additional \$7,000.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment increases the showing of interest necessary  
for the citizens' initiated amendment to the Constitution of  
Maine, established in the bill, to go forward. Signatures  
equalling 15% of the voters casting ballots in the last  
gubernatorial election would be required to initiate a  
Constitutional amendment.

This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on State and Local  
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