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REPORT A
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 322, L.D. 438, Bill, "An Act to Expedite Removal of Invalid Voter Names from Voter Lists"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2 in the 8th and 9th lines (page 1, lines 13 and 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "within 90 days after the 2nd general election" and inserting in its place the following: '90 days after ballots are unsealed'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

'FISCAL NOTE

This bill requires inactive voters to be removed from municipal voting lists by a municipal clerk 90 days after ballots are unsealed. The additional local costs are expected to be minor. Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the State from the

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constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional local costs.'

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SUMMARY

This amendment changes the time when a voter must be removed from the voting list to 90 days after the ballots are unsealed. This amendment also adds a mandate preamble and a fiscal note to the bill.