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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 621, L.D. 870, Bill, "An Act To Increase Access to Information Regarding Referendum Questions"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§353." in the first paragraph in the 6th line from the end (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "allocations." and inserting in its place the following: 'allocations within 30 days after the adjournment of the legislative session immediately prior to the statewide election when the constitutional resolution or referendum will appear on the ballot. The fiscal impact estimate must summarize the aggregate impact that the constitutional resolution or referendum will have on the General Fund, the Highway Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds and the amounts distributed by the states to local units of government.'

SUMMARY

This amendment specifies what must be included in a fiscal estimate of a constitutional resolution or statewide referendum and establishes a date by which the fiscal estimate must be completed.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 870

LR 0774(02)

An Act to Increase Access to Information Regarding Referendum Questions

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue increase - General Fund
Current biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds
Minor cost increase - General Fund

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Beginning in fiscal year 2005-06, the bill includes annual Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$500 for the newly established Public Comment Publication Fund within the Department of the Secretary of State. The amount of revenue collected for the fund will be determined by the number of individuals registering to file certain public comments for publication and can not be determined at this time. If annual fund collections exceed \$5,000, any amount over \$5,000 must be transferred to the General Fund.