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House of Representatives, March 14, 2017

An Act To Require an Opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court on Direct Initiatives of Legislation

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative TURNER of Burlington. Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin and Representatives: CHACE of Durham, GILLWAY of Searsport, LOCKMAN of Amherst, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, TUELL of East Machias, WALLACE of Dexter, WHITE of Washburn.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §906, sub-§8 is enacted to read:
3 4 5	8. Opinion of Justices of Supreme Judicial Court. The opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court given under section 907 must be printed on the ballot containing the direct initiative of legislation.
6	Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §907 is enacted to read:
7	§907. Opinion of Justices of Supreme Judicial Court
8 9	The Legislature shall request an opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for a direct initiative of legislation that will be submitted to the voters.
10	SUMMARY
11 12 13 14	This bill requires the Legislature to request an opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for a direct initiative of legislation that will be submitted to the voters. It also requires that this opinion be printed on the ballot containing the direct initiative of legislation.