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**STATE OF MAINE
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129TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 56, L.D. 59, Bill, "An Act To Establish a Recall Process for Elected Officials in Plantations"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Permit Plantations To Fill Vacancies of Town Officials'

Amend the bill in the emergency preamble by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph (page 1, lines 5 to 8 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'Whereas, the inability to fill a vacancy when an official is unable or unwilling to fulfill the duties required of the office directly affects the ability of the plantation to conduct its official business, which has a negative effect on the public interest and is of a direct concern to the State; and'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §7006, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6; c. 9, §2; and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

B. Laws relating to the election, appointment, hiring, qualification, filling of vacancies, duties, powers, compensation, liabilities and penalties for official neglect and misconduct of town officials and employees.'

SUMMARY

This amendment strikes the bill except for the emergency preamble and clause, and, instead of establishing a recall process, it gives plantations the authority to fill a vacancy in the office of a town official.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT