

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. 877

L.D. 1213

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Minority

**VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
129TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 877, L.D. 1213, Bill, "An Act To Repeal the Ranked-choice Voting Law"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1213

LR 367(02)

An Act To Repeal the Ranked-choice Voting Law

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

*A(H-232)*

Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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## Fiscal Note

Unbudgeted savings will not be booked - General Fund

Unbudgeted savings will not be booked - Highway Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Costs related to ranked-choice voting were estimated in the fiscal note for LD 1557 of the 127th Legislature, which was introduced as Initiated Bill 2 in response to a successful citizens initiated petition drive. As LD 1557 was indefinitely postponed, there was no opportunity to put funding for the Secretary of State (SOS) or the Department of Public Safety (DPS) into that bill. Subsequent approval by the voters in November of 2016 meant any funding would have to wait for implementing legislation. Repealing ranked-choice voting will eliminate any costs that would have been incurred by the SOS and the DPS. Costs had been estimated at approximately \$850,000 to the General Fund the first year and \$740,000 annually thereafter and \$52,000 to the Highway Fund annually. As no funding has ever been budgeted, no savings will be booked on repeal.