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L.D. 1013

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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 430, L.D. 1013, "An Act to Protect
10 Taxpayers by Requiring Referenda on Significant Municipal Debt"

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Amend the bill in section 1 in §5712-A in the first indented paragraph in the 3rd line
12 (page 1, line 6 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Tuesday" the following: 'after the
13 first Monday'

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Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
15 number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, amends the bill by
18 clarifying that the referendum must be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
19 November.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1013****LR 1684(02)****An Act to Protect Taxpayers by Requiring Referenda on Significant Municipal Debt**

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (LS-72)
Committee: State and Local Government
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates**Required Activity**

Requires municipalities seeking to issue bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000 or more to call referendums for the voters of the municipalities to approve the bonds. This bill also requires the referendums to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November and the procedures for the referendums must follow the procedures established in the relevant current law.

Unit Affected
Municipality**Local Cost**
Moderate
statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.