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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 940, L.D. 1431, "An Act to Implement an Interstate Voter Registration Cross-check Program"

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

'An Act to End Information Sharing of Voter Registration Information Through a Contract with a Nonprofit Corporation of Member States'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §161, sub-§2-B, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 398, Pt. UUUU, §1 and affected by §7, is repealed.

Sec. 2. Terminate membership agreement with Electronic Registration Information Center, Inc. By January 1, 2026, the Secretary of State shall, on behalf of the State, terminate the State's membership agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center, Inc. that was entered into pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 21-A, section 161, subsection 2-B.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Corporations, Elections and Commissions 0692

Initiative: Provides funding for one Management Analyst I position, one Public Service Manager I position, software maintenance and licensing, technology and other costs to implement and maintain a software system to perform voter registration cross-checks.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	2,000	2,000
Personal Services	\$254,144	\$263,293
All Other	\$1,677,588	\$1,663,558

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 940, L.D. 1431

1 GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$1,931,732 \$1,926,851

2 **Sec. 4. Effective date.** That section of this Act that repeals the Maine Revised
3 Statutes, Title 21-A, section 161, subsection 2-B takes effect January 1, 2026.'

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

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This amendment replaces the bill and changes the title. The amendment repeals, on
8 January 1, 2026, the provision of law requiring the Secretary of State to contract with a
9 nonprofit corporation of member states for periodic sharing of voter registration
10 information, including information on names and addresses of voters in member states, and
11 directing the Secretary of State to periodically update the central voter registration system
12 based on the information obtained. The amendment also directs the Secretary of State to
13 terminate the State's membership agreement with the Electronic Registration Information
14 Center, Inc. by January 1, 2026.

15 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

16 (See attached)

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1431****LR 1193(02)****An Act to Implement an Interstate Voter Registration Cross-check Program****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-386)****Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Fiscal Note

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Projections FY 2027-28	Projections FY 2028-29
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,931,732	\$1,926,851	\$1,935,835	\$1,946,149
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$1,931,732	\$1,926,851	\$1,935,835	\$1,946,149

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$1,931,732 in fiscal year 2025-26 and \$1,926,851 in fiscal year 2026-27 for one Public Service Manager I position, one Management Analyst I position, software maintenance and licensing, technology and other costs to implement and maintain a software system to perform voter registration cross-checks in accordance with MRSA Title 21-A section 161, subsection 2-A.