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**124th Legislature (2008-2010)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1730 / SP0662

An Act To Strengthen the Ballot Initiative Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Presented by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin. Referred to Jt. Standing Comm. on Legal and Veterans Affairs. Public Hearing 02/08/10. Majority (OTP-AM) Accepted 03/29/10. Amended by: CA S-443, SB/CA S-481, SC/CA S-487. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/06/10, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 611.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1730 \(124th Legis. 2010\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1730 / PL 2009, c. 611](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs

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**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(S-443\) \(LD 1730 2010\) \(Majority\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-478\) \(LD 1730 2010\)](#)

[Amendment SB/CA \(S-481\) \(LD 1730 2010\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SC/CA \(S-487\) \(LD 1730 2010\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SD/CA \(S-488\) \(LD 1730 2010\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[SENATE, January 7, 2010 \(S1227-1244\)](#)

- p. S-1243

[HOUSE, January 12, 2010 \(H975-977\)](#)

- p. H-975

[SENATE, March 22, 2010 \(S1528-1548\)](#)

- p. S-1533 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 1540)) (Amendment(s) S-443)

[SENATE, March 23, 2010 \(S1549-1563\)](#)

- p. S-1552 (Amendment(s) S-443)

[SENATE, March 25, 2010 \(S1599-1623\)](#)

- p. S-1623 (Amendment(s) S-443)

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[SENATE, March 26, 2010 \(S1624-1655\)](#)

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- p. H-1286 (Amendment(s) S-443, S-481, S-487)

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- p. S-1702 (Amendment(s) S-443, S-481, S-487)

[SENATE, March 31, 2010 \(S1700-1715\)](#)

- p. S-1710 (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) S-443, S-481, S-487)

**Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2009, c. 611](#)

**News Articles**

Dead man signing (Bangor Daily News, 2/6/2010, p. A10) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/IniRe102.pdf)

Legislators debate bills on petitions (Miller, Kevin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/9/2010, p. B1, B4)  
• (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/IniRe103.pdf)

Three bills seek tougher rules for petitioners (Cover, Susan M) (Kennebec Journal, 2/9/2010, p. A1, A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/K1002034.pdf)

Proposed changes would tangle citizen initiative process (Portland Press Herald, 2/19/2010, p. A8) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/P1002048.pdf)

Protecting the citizen initiative (Times Record (Brunswick), 2/25/2010, p. A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/D1002095.pdf)

Restoring integrity to Maine's ballot initiative process (Nutting, John and Dostie, Stacy) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 4/11/2010, p. C8) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/D1004038.pdf)

Paid petitioners reined in (Adams, Glenn) (Kennebec Journal, 5/28/2010, p. B1, B5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD17xx/nc124-ld-1730/K1005069.pdf)

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