

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
ELECTION LAWS
BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTION LAWS-LEGISLATION
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<u>LD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>	<u>(COMMITTEE REPORT)</u> <u>DISPOSITION</u>
5	AN ACT TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER LABOR DAY	Jalbert	(LV/WD)

SUMMARY: Similar to LD 235 which was reported out by the Committee.

6	AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARRANGEMENT OF NAMES ON PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS	Racine	(LV/WD)
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SUMMARY: Would have required the arrangement of names on the ballot to alternate between alphabetical and reverse alphabetical order in alternating election years.

7	AN ACT RELATING TO REFERENDUM CAMPAIGN REPORTS AND FINANCES	Diamond, J	(Maj-OTP) (Min-ONTP) killed
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SUMMARY: Would have imposed the same ceilings on campaign contributions in referenda campaigns as are currently imposed in candidate campaigns. Both the Attorney General and the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court issued opinions that such a law would be unconstitutional if enacted.

8	AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE HANDLING OF CHANGES IN VOTER REGISTRATION	Racine	(OTP - AM) ENACT. PL 143
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SUMMARY: Requires a registrar to send notice of a voter's previous address to the registrar of voter's prior municipality of residence when the voter registers to vote in the new municipality.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-38): Requires both the former street and mailing address to be sent. (ADOPTED)