

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ELECTION LAWS  
BILL SUMMARY



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35 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR A MUNICIPAL ELECTION MAY BE REQUESTED ON THE APPLICATION REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR A STATE ELECTION Carter (OTP-ND) LD 1527

SUMMARY: Title of bill is self-explanatory.

72 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE WORDING ON QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE PUBLIC AT THE POLLS Pouliot (ONTP)

SUMMARY: Would have required ballot questions to be set out in clear, concise and direct language which may be easily understood by the voters. One of several bills dealing with this issue which the Committee addressed through LD 1059.

89 AN ACT CONCERNING THE POSTING OF THE TEXT OF ALL CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS AND STATEWIDE REFERENDA AT THE POLLING PLACES ON ELECTION DAY Lewis (OTP-AM) ENACT. PL 385

SUMMARY: Would have required posters setting out the full text of constitutional resolutions and other statewide referenda to be displayed at voting places.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-253): Required only that "materials" setting out the full text be posted. (ADOPTED)

121 AN ACT TO IMPROVE VOTER REGISTRATION ACCESS FOR POTENTIAL ABSENTEE VOTERS Baker (MAJ-OTP) (MIN-ONTP) ENACT. PL 280

SUMMARY: Allows absentee voters to register at any time, including election day.

129 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ADVERTISING FOR POLITICAL CANDIDATES ON RADIO AND TELEVISION Rolde (ONTP)

SUMMARY: Would have prohibited political advertising by any form of electronic media.