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STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

ELECTION LAWS

BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 368 AN ACT TO ALLOW VOTER REGISTRATION AND PARTY ENROLLMENT
ON THE SAME FORM

kETOVER (MAJ-OTP-AM) (MIN-ONTP) ENACT. PL 169

SUMMARY: Title of bill is self-explanatory. This bill is similar to LD 242 and some of the provisions contained in LD 241.

369 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE REGISTRAR Manning (LV/WD)
OF VOTERS TO APPOINT TEMPORARY
DEPUTY REGISTRARS

SUMMARY: Title of bill is self-explanatory; it is similar to LD 228.

470 AN ACT RELATING TO NOMINATION Carter (OTP)
PETITIONS FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE ENACT. PL 224

SUMMARY: Changes the number of signatures needed on a nominating petition for office in a municipality with a population of more than 500. Not less than 25 nor more than 100 signatures would be required.

561 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE DATE OF Tuttle (LV/WD)
THE PRIMARY ELECTION

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

587 AN ACT TO PROVIDE EARLY ACCESS Diamond, J (LV/WD)
TO ABSENTEE BALLOTS BY THE
ARMED FORCES

SUMMARY: Similar to LD 1180 which was reported out by the Committee.

694 AN ACT TO PLACE SPENDING CEILINGS Brown, A (LV/WD)
ON POLITICAL CANDIDATES

SUMMARY: Would have established a limit on contributions which could be accepted by candidates based on the number of votes cast in the last election for the office.

695 AN ACT TO PERMIT YOUNG CHILDREN Holloway (OTP-AM)
TO ACCOMPANY THEIR PARENTS INTO ENACT. PL 138
VOTING BOOTH

SUMMARY: Allows a child less than 6 years old to enter a voting booth with a voter.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-84): Amended title of bill to apply to "voters" not just "Parents." (ADOPTED)