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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
101st LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "J" to H.P. 980, L.D. 1364, Bill, "An Act Relating to Operating Business on Sunday and Certain Holidays."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end the following referendum:

Referendum for ratification. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the electors of the State of Maine as hereinafter provided. The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this State are empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives at the next general election, to give in their votes upon the acceptance or rejection of the foregoing act, and the question shall be:

"Shall 'An Act Relating to Operating Business on Sunday and Certain Holidays,' passed by the 101st Legislature, be accepted?"

The inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote by ballot on said question and shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" and "No" their opinion of the same. The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and return made to the office of the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for Governor and members of the Legislature, and the Governor and Council shall count the same, and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of the act, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the act shall become effective in 30 days after the date of said proclamation.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing act accompanied by a copy thereof.'

Filed by Mr. Maddox of Vinalhaven.

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