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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
104th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1151, L. D. 1473, Bill, "AN ACT  
Providing for Presidential Preferences in Primary Election."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 3, a new  
section, to read as follows:

'Sec. 3-A. R. S., T. 21, §441-B, additional. Title 21 of  
the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 441-B,  
to read as follows:

§441-B. Counting and certification of result

The ballots shall be marked, counted, canvassed, returned and  
proclaimed in the same manner and under the same conditions, so far  
as applicable, as the names of candidates for nomination for state  
and county offices. The Secretary of State shall certify to the  
respective Maine state chairmen of the major political parties the  
results of the balloting in the presidential preference primary,  
indicating the number of votes received by all candidates combined  
and the number received by each individual candidate, detailing the  
proportionate relationship of the votes for each candidate who  
received more than 10% of the total votes cast in that party to the  
total vote for all candidates who received more than 10% of the total  
votes cast, and the proportionate relationship of the votes for  
each candidate who received more than 10% of the total votes cast  
to the vote of every other combination of candidates who received

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more than 10% of the total votes cast. The Maine state chairmen of the major political parties shall certify in writing to the Secretary of State at least 30 days prior to the primary election the number of votes allocated to the Maine delegation to the national convention by the respective national party. The Secretary of State shall then on the basis of the number of votes allocated the Maine delegation, compute and certify to the respective Maine state party chairmen the number of votes of the delegation to be cast at the national convention for each candidate for the presidential nomination who received more than 10% of the total votes cast in the respective party in the Maine presidential preference primary to the nearest 1/2 vote, and he shall certify the number of such delegation votes to the nearest 1/2 vote to be announced to the national convention for each candidate under the circumstances of the withdrawal or death of one or more of the candidates for the nomination who received more than 10% of the total votes cast. In computing such distribution of the delegation's total vote, the Secretary of State shall assign all remaining fractions less than 1/2 to a pool. If a candidate receives a fraction of a vote in excess of 1/2, the 1/2 vote will be awarded to him with the remainder being assigned to the pool. This pool shall then be divided by the Secretary of State among the candidates awarding a 1/2 vote first to the candidate receiving the most votes, next to the candidate receiving the 2nd highest number of votes, and so forth, until the party's total number of delegation votes at the national convention shall be reached.'

Filed by Miss Watson of Bath.

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