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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 611

In Senate, May 8, 1973

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HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Simplify the Procedures on Municipal Charter Amendment
Elections.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 1914, sub-§ 4, ¶ C, repealed and replaced. Paragraph C of subsection 4 of section 1914 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 563 of the public laws of 1969 and as repealed and replaced by section 4 of chapter 362 of the public laws of 1971, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

C. On all petitions filed more than 120 days prior to the end of the current municipal year, the municipal officers shall order the proposed amendment to be submitted to the voters at the next regular or special municipal election held within said year after the filing of the final report. If there is no such election to be held before the end of the current municipal year, the municipal officers shall order a special election to be held before the end of the current municipal year for the purposes of voting on the proposed amendment. Unrelated charter amendments shall be submitted to the voters as separate questions.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 1915, sub-§ 4, ¶ B, repealed and replaced. Paragraph B of subsection 4 of section 1915 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 563 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

B. Charter amendments adopted by the voters shall become effective on the first day of the next succeeding municipal year or on a date determined by the municipal officers, whichever occurs first.