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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 616 In Senate, May 11, 1973 Reported by Senator Shute of Franklin from the Committee on Election Laws and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Petition for Articles on Municipal Ballots and Warrants.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, sub-§ 4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

If by town meeting vote or charter provision, a budget committee has been established to review proposed town expenditures, the recommendations of the budget committee shall be printed instead of those of the municipal officers.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 2061, sub-§ 4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 2061 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

If a particular article to be voted on by secret ballot requests an appropriation of money by the municipality, the article when printed in the warrant and on the ballot shall be accompanied by a recommendation of the municipal officers and, if such action affects the school budget, by the school board.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires that whenever an article is placed on the next ballot printed or warrant of a special meeting by the petition method stipulated in section 2061 and said article requires raising, appropriating or borrowing of money, it shall also be accompanied by a recommendation by the municipal officers, the school board or the budget committee.