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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 106TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1972, L.D. 2513, RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for Single Member Districts in the House of Representatives; to Provide for Reduction of the Number of Representatives to One Hundred Thirty-two, and Reapportionment of the House of Representatives before the General Election of 1976; to Provide for Further Reduction of the Number of Representatives to Ninety-nine, and Reapportionment of the House of Representatives and the Senate before the General Election of 1984; to Provide for Annual Sessions of the Legislature and to Limit the Matters which may be Considered in the Second Regular Session; to Establish an Apportionment Commission to Plan for all Reapportionments of the House of Representatives and Senate; to Abolish the Executive Council and Reassign Certain Constitutional Powers to a Legislative Council; and to Provide that Oaths and Subscriptions of Office of the Governor, Representatives and Senators shall be Taken before the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Amend said Resolution by striking out all of the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

'AN ACT Providing for the Selection of the Members of the Executive Council.'

Further amend said Resolution by striking out everything after the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

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

R. S., T. 2, §50, additional. Title 2 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 50 to read as follows:

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§50. Selection

The Councillors shall be nominated by a majority vote of all the Senators-elect and Representatives-elect from the county entitled to a Councillor. If no nomination has been made, the Councillors shall be nominated by a majority vote of all the Senators-elect and Representatives-elect of all the counties comprising the Councillor District entitled to a Councillor. The Legislature shall confirm the person nominated or a person who belongs to the political party having elected a majority of such Senators-elect and Representatives-elect from the county or district entitled to a Councillor, as the case may be.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to provide that the Executive Council shall be nominated by a majority of the legislative members of the county which is entitled to the Councillor and such nominee will be chosen by the Legislature.

Filed by Mr. Ross of Bath.

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