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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 68, L.D. 98, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide Accessible Polling Places for the Physically Handicapped and the Elderly."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 21 MRSA §604, sub-^{1st ¶}§2, /3rd sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 165, §2, is amended to read:

An elderly or physically handicapped voter who wishes to vote at the office of the clerk or at an alternative voting place must notify the clerk of the municipality at least ~~10~~ 5 days prior to the date of any election.

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA §604, sub-§2, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 761, §26, is further amended by adding after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read:

Not later than 10 days prior to the date of any election, the clerk shall issue a public notice designating the location of the alternative accessible voting place. No such notice is required in any municipality in which all or no voting places are accessible to these persons.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment reduces from 10 days to 5 days the time deadline by which elderly or handicapped voters must notify the clerk of their intention to vote at an available alternative voting place.

Reported by the Committee on Election Laws.

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