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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 87 House of Representatives, January 19, 1977 Referred to the Committee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Garsoe of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Removal of Nonvoters' Names from Voting Lists.

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

21 MRSA § 171, sub-§ 2, 1st sentence, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 761, § 11, is further amended to read:

The registrar shall keep a list current at all times by adding the names of new voters and by removing the names of those who have died, moved from the municipality with an apparent intention of abandoning their residence therein, or become disqualified to vote or failed to vote in at least one of the last 2 general elections.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The voting lists of the municipalities in Maine are in constant need of revision for such reasons as death or moving to another town in Maine or to another state, to name a few. The intent of this legislation is to require the registrar, in addition to those connections he is already required by law to make, to remove the names of those persons who have failed to vote in at least one of the last 2 general elections. This procedure would aid in keeping voting lists current at all times.