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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 906, L.D. 1105, Bill,
"AN ACT Relating to Meeting to Reconsider Vote of a Prior
Education District Meeting."

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

'20 MRSA §225, sub-§2, ¶I is enacted to read:

I. When requested by 10% of the number of voters voting for the gubernatorial candidates at the last statewide election in the municipalities comprising the district within 7 days of any prior district meeting, the directors shall call a district meeting to be held within 30 days of the presentation of the petition to reconsider any prior district meeting vote under this section. No vote to reconsider action at the prior district meeting shall be taken at the subsequently called district meeting unless the number of persons attending the meeting is at least equal to the number in attendance at the prior district meeting. If the margin of the vote being reconsidered was not less than 10% nor more than 25%, the petitioners shall tender with that petition an amount equal to the actual, reasonable costs of that vote to reconsider. If the vote being reconsidered exceeded 25%, the petitioners shall tender with that petition a bond equal to the actual, reasonable costs which may be incurred as a result of the delay of any authorization or approval granted at the prior district meeting under this section, and further, shall tender with that petition an amount equal

to the actual, reasonable costs of that vote to reconsider.
If the petitioners are successful, the bond shall be canceled.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to:

1. Require any petition for a district meeting to be presented within 7 days of the prior district meeting;
2. Require that the school directors schedule any subsequent meeting within 30 days of the presentation of the petitions, and
3. Require that the subsequent meeting have at least as many people present as the prior meeting in order to be a valid meeting.

Reported by the Committee on Education.

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