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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.

1117, L.D. 1335, Bill, "AN ACT to Revise the Election Laws

Concerning Political Activity at Elections and Requirements for

Absentee Ballots."

Amend the Amendment by striking out all of the last paragraph before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'30, Return of absentee ballots. A 3rd person, designated in an application or request for an absentee ballot and to whom the clerk of a municipality furnishes an absentee ballot in accordance with such application or request, who, without good cause, fails to return such absentee ballot to the clerk's office within the time limit provided in section 1255.'

Statement of Fact

The amendment removes the 5-day time requirement from the penalty section. The penalty could be applied only if the absentee ballot is not returned by 8 p.m. on election day or, in the case of presidential elections, by the closing of the polls.

Filed by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland.

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