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

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 2346, L.D. 2213, RESOLUTION,  
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Limit the  
Maximum Property Tax which can be Levied.

Amend the Resolution by striking out all of the Title and  
inserting in its place the following:

'RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to  
Require the Legislature to Enact Legislation by January 1, 1983  
that will Restructure the Tax Laws of Maine by Prorating Shares  
from each Tax Source or to Convene a Constitutional Convention  
for that Purpose Should the Legislature Fail to Act.'

Further amend the Resolution by striking out everything  
after the first paragraph and before the constitutional  
referendum procedure and inserting in its place the following:

'Constitution, Art. 1, §25 is enacted to read:

Legislative tax reform or constitutional convention.

The Legislature shall enact general law prior to January 1, 1983  
that will restructure the tax laws of this State and provide  
shares from each tax source. Should the Legislature fail to  
act by that date a constitutional convention of 151 nonlegislative  
members elected to represent each district for the election  
of Representatives shall convene on July 1, 1983 for the purpose  
of amending the constitution to carry out the purposes of  
this section. The convention shall be the judge of the election  
of its own members and shall choose its own officers. The members  
of the convention shall be compensated in the same manner

as Legislators for a special session.'

Further amend the Resolution by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph before the Statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

"Shall the Constitution be amended, as proposed by the first special session of the 108th Legislature, to require the Legislature to enact legislation by January 1, 1983 that will restructure the tax laws of Maine by prorating shares from each tax source or to convene a constitutional convention for that purpose should the Legislature fail to act."

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is stated in the Title of the resolution.

Filed by Mr. Burns of Anson

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