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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-625)
109TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1346, L.D. 1587, Bill, "AN ACT to Repeal the Control of Milk Prices at the Wholesale and Retail Levels."

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

Sec. 3 Statutory referendum procedure; submission at special statewide election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general or special statewide election held following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection this Act by voting on the following question:

"Shall the Control of Milk Prices at the Wholesale and Retail Levels be Repealed?"

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the words "Yes" or "No". The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns, and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Statement of Fact

This amendment adds a statewide referendum section to the bill.

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