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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-828)  
109TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1588, L.D. 1808, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Bonds and Notes Issued by Sanitary Districts."

Amend the bill in section 1, in that part designated "§1201", subsection 1, in the 3rd line (2nd line in L.D.) by striking out the following <sup>underlined</sup> words and punctuation "without district vote,"

Further amend the bill in section 1 by inserting at the end the following:

'10. Referendum. Except for projects required to meet federal or State water pollution control requirements, upon written petition of residents of a sanitary district, the number of which shall not be less than ten percent of the total vote for Governor cast in the district in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of the petition, a referendum shall be held by the municipality or municipalities or, for unorganized territory, the county, for the purpose of allowing the voters resident in the sanitary district to vote in favor of or in opposition to the following question:

" Shall the (name) Sanitary District issue bonds in the amount of (figure) dollars for the following purpose, as proposed by the board of trustees?" (Description of purpose of proposed bond issue.)

} The municipalities or, for unorganized territory, the county, shall certify the results of the election to the board of trustees. In the event the referendum approves the bond issue, the trustees

shall proceed with issuance of the bonds, as authorized in subsection

1. In the event the referendum disapproves the bond issue, the  
trustees shall not proceed with issuance of the bonds.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment provides for public participation in the decision-making process relating to bond issues of sanitary districts, except for those projects which are mandated by state or federal requirements.

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