

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-980)  
109TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 827,  
L.D. 2037, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for Implementation of the  
Settlement of Claims by Indians in the State of Maine and to Create  
the Passamaquoddy Indian Territory and Penobscot Indian Territory."

← Amend the Amendment by inserting at the end before  
the fiscal note the following:

'Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end of section 31,  
before the period, the following:

', and in no event shall this Act become effective unless  
approved pursuant to section 32'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end <sup>before the statement of fact</sup> /the following:

Sec. 32. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at  
general election; form of question.

↪ This Act shall be submitted to  
the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election  
in the month of November 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 of this  
Act by voting on the following question:

"Shall the settlement of claims by Indians in the State of Maine  
of the  
and the creation/ Passamaquoddy Indian territory and Penobscot  
Indian territory be implemented?"

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 immediately upon compliance with section 31 of this Act.

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 purposes of this referendum.'

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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add a statutory referendum procedure provision to the Bill.

Filed by Mr. Norris of Brewer  
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