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STATE OF MAINE  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 728, L.D. 937, Bill, "AN ACT to Make Voting Places more Accessible to the Elderly and Handicapped."

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA §604, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 165, §2, is amended to read:

A. "Accessible voting place" means a voting place in a building in which has at least one entrance that provides access, by ramp or otherwise, to physically handicapped or elderly voters and in which the voting place is located on the first floor or is accessible by elevator or in a building which meets the part of the building set aside for voting meets the requirements for accessible routes of the 1981 standards of construction described in Title 25, chapter 331.

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA §604, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1977, c. 233, §§1 and 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

2. Voting places. Before July 1, 1985, each municipality shall provide at least one voting place which is in a building which is accessible as defined in subsection 1.



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L.D. 937

1           The amendment also allows for a waiver to be  
2 granted by the Secretary of State to towns which  
3 satisfactorily demonstrate that the requirement to  
4 provide at least one accessible voting place in the  
5 town ought not to apply and requires the Secretary of  
6 State to adopt rules governing the granting of waiv-  
7 ers.

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