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HOUSE AMENDMENT "7" to S.P. 858, L.D. 2331,
Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize County Commissioners to
Establish Separate Voting Places in Unorganized Town-
ships."

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Amend the bill by inserting before the enacting
clause the following:

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'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
lature do not become effective until 90 days after
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, primary and general elections will be
held this year; and

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Whereas, by May 1st in the year of a general
election, municipal officers must select ballot
clerks; and

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Whereas, if this Act is not enacted as an emer-
gency, there will be insufficient time to establish a
voting place in those unorganized townships which
wish to do so; and

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
the Constitution of Maine and require the following
legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
therefore, '

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Further amend the bill in section 2, in that part
designated "§1573." in subsection 1, paragraph B, in
the 4th line (page 2, line 18 in L.D.) by striking
out the underlined figure "4" and inserting in its
place the underlined figure '2'

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 858, L.D. 2331

1 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end
2 before the statement of fact the following:

3 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
4 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect
5 when approved.'

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

7 The purpose of this amendment is to add an emer-
8 gency preamble and emergency clause so that the pro-
9 visions of the bill may take effect in time for this
10 year's elections and to correct the number of ballot
11 clerks which are required to be appointed. Cities
12 and towns are required to have only 2 ballot clerks,
13 although they may have more. Unorganized townships
14 should also be required to have only 2.

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