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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 379, L.D. 520,
Bill, "AN ACT to Provide a Referendum to Abolish
County Government and Authorize Reassignment of its
Functions and Duties to Appropriate State and Municipal
Agencies."

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Amend the bill by striking out all of the title
and inserting in its place the following:

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'AN ACT to Provide a Referendum to Dissolve the
County Offices of Commissioner and Treasurer and
Transfer All Existing Functions and Duties to Appropriate
State and Municipal Departments and Agencies.'

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Further amend the bill by striking out everything
after the enacting clause and inserting in its place
the following:

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'Sec. 1. Reassignment of functions, duties and
powers. If this Act is approved by any county under
section 2, the Legislature shall, prior to January 1,
1987, enact legislation, to take effect on January 1,
1987, assigning the current functions, duties and
powers of that county government to appropriate state
and municipal departments and agencies and excepting
that county from the provisions of the Maine Revised
Statutes, Title 30, Part 1.

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Sec. 2. Referendum. This Act shall be submitted
to the legal voters of each county within the State
at an election to be held on the Tuesday following
the first Monday of November following passage of
this Act. The board of commissioners in each county
is authorized to expend those funds which are neces-
sary to implement the referendum.

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The county clerk shall prepare the required bal-

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1 lots in which he shall state the subject matter of
2 this Act in the following question:

3 "Shall the county offices of commissioner and
4 treasurer be dissolved and all existing functions
5 and duties be transferred to the appropriate state
6 and municipal departments and agencies?"

7 The voters in each county shall indicate by a
8 cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or
9 "No" their opinion of the question.

10 The results of the vote in each county shall be
11 declared by the board of commissioners for that coun-
12 ty and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the
13 county clerk with the Secretary of State.

14 This Act shall be deemed approved in any county
15 upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters
16 in that county voting at that election.'

17 STATEMENT OF FACT

18 The purpose of this amendment is to allow the
19 voters of each county to decide if they wish to abol-
20 ish the county offices of commissioner and treasurer
21 and transfer all existing functions and duties to the
22 appropriate state and municipal departments and agen-
23 cies.

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