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1 (New Draft of H.P. 598, L.D. 868)
2 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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4 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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6 Legislative Document

No. 1588

8 H.P. 1095

House of Representatives, May 24, 1985

9 Reported by Representative Perry from the Committee on Legal Affairs
10 and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill presented by Representative
11 Baker of Orrington. Cosponsored by Representative Reeves of Pittston,
Representative Hickey of Augusta and Senator Sewall of Lincoln.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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13 STATE OF MAINE
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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18 AN ACT to Clarify and Standardize Enrollment
19 Status on Voting Lists.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §161, sub-§1, ¶A is enacted to
24 read:

25 A. Except as provided in subparagraph (1), the
26 registrar shall note the enrollment status of
27 each voter using none other than the following:
28 "D" for Democrat, "R" for Republican and "U" for
29 unenrolled.

30 (1) The Secretary of State may authorize
31 the use of other symbols to indicate enroll-
32 ment in other parties formed or forming un-
33 der chapter 5, subchapter I.

34 Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §164, first ¶, as enacted by
35 PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

1 The registrar shall record enrollments by adding
2 the party designation of the voter beside the voter's
3 name on the voting list, using the symbols prescribed
4 by section 161, subsection 1, paragraph A.

5 Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act shall take ef-
6 fect on July 1, 1986.

7 STATEMENT OF FACT

8 The purpose of this new draft is to clarify and
9 standardize the enrollment status on voting lists.
10 Currently, there is no requirement to standardize en-
11 rollment status and a wide variety of systems are be-
12 ing used. This new draft will correct that situation
13 at a time in the future when it will be convenient to
14 change to a uniform system.

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