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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 531, L.D. 1595,

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Bill, "AN ACT to Establish a Presidential Primary in

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Maine."

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Amend the Bill in section 2 by striking out all

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of that part designated "§404" and inserting in its

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place the following:

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'§404. Ballot preparation; costs paid by party

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The Secretary of State shall prepare ballots for

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the presidential primary election in accordance with

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section 601-A. The costs of ballot preparation and

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distribution shall be paid in accordance with the

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following procedures.

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1. Certify costs. The Secretary of State shall

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certify to the party or parties which have voted to

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conduct a presidential primary election the estimated

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costs for preparing and distributing the ballots for

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the presidential primary election.

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2. One party. If one party votes to conduct a

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presidential primary, the Secretary of State shall

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bill the state committee of that party for the amount

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of the costs certified under subsection 1. The state

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committee billed under this section shall pay the

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amount billed within 2 weeks of the billing date.

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3. More than one party. If 2 or more parties

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vote to conduct a presidential primary election, the

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Secretary of State shall apportion the costs certi-

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fied under subsection 1, equally among the state com-

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mittees of the parties participating and shall bill

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each state committee accordingly. Each state commit-

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tee billed under this section shall pay the amount

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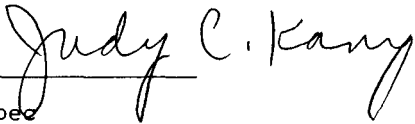
This amendment requires each party which votes to conduct a presidential primary to pay the costs of holding the primary. A special account is created into which the parties will pay the amounts apportioned to them. The Secretary of State will then use the funds in that special account to pay the costs of preparing and distributing the presidential primary ballots. This will have no effect on the General Fund.

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