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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
114TH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 525, L.D. 710, "RESOLUTION, Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for the Popular Election of the Attorney General and the Secretary of State"

Amend the resolution in section 1, first line, (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out "Sec. 1."

Further amend the resolution by striking out of section 2, first line, (page 1, line 32 in L.D.) "Sec. 2."

Further amend the resolution by striking out the 3rd paragraph from the end (lines 19 to 21 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

"Shall the Constitution of Maine be amended to provide for the popular election of the Secretary of State and the Attorney General who shall serve 4-year terms of office?"

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

'Effective date. Following approval of this resolution by the electorate at referendum, this resolution shall take effect for the general election to be held in 1992.

FISCAL NOTE

The cost of sending this constitutional amendment out to referendum will vary depending on the total number of referenda. The estimated cost to the Secretary of State will be as follows:

1-6 referenda	\$88,000
Each additional referendum	5,300'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment changes the question to be presented to the voters to include the 4-year term of office. In addition, this amendment provides for the popular election of the Attorney General and the Secretary of State in nongubernatorial elections.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on State and Local Government
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