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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
114TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 637, L.D. 871, Bill, "An Act Relating to Legislation of an Emergency Nature Introduced in the 2nd Regular Session or any Special Session"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §5 is enacted to read:

§5. Second regular and special sessions; emergencies

Legislation admitted by the Legislature for consideration during the second regular session and any legislation introduced for consideration in special session must be emergency legislation requiring a vote of 2/3 of all the members of each House and may have an effective date as the emergency requires.

Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §162, sub-§14-A is enacted to read:

14-A. Approve after deadline bill requests. To approve after deadline bill requests. During any regular session of the Legislature, any bill request filed after the cloture deadline, established by joint rule, must receive 8 votes of approval from the Legislative Council before that bill may be introduced in that session;

FISCAL NOTE

Enactment of this legislation may result in minor cost savings to the legislative account, the exact nature of which cannot be determined.'

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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This amendment provides the Legislative Council with the specific statutory power to approve after deadline bill requests. Any bill submitted after the cloture date for bills will require approval by 8 members of the Legislative Council in order to be introduced into the Legislature.

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