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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 709, L.D. 970, Bill, "An Act Regarding Political Party Enrollment"

Amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "§141." in the first paragraph by striking out all of the last sentence (page 1, lines 21 and 22 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'If the answer is in the negative, the registrar shall note on the enrollment portion of the application that the person chose not to enroll in a political party. Nothing in this section may be construed to require a person to enroll in a political party.'

Further amend the bill in section 4 in that part designated "§151." in the first paragraph by striking all of the last 2 sentences (page 1, lines 45 to 48 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following: 'If an individual chooses to enroll in a political party, the registrar shall indicate the party chosen on the registration form. The registrar shall indicate on the registration form if an individual chooses not to enroll in a political party.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment makes it clear that a person need not enroll in a political party in order to register to vote.

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