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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 1660, L.D. 2337, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Reduce the Size of the House of Representatives"

Amend the resolution in the 3rd indented paragraph in the 5th and 6th lines (page 1, lines 12 and 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "beginning with" and inserting in its place the following: 'for'

Further amend the resolution in the 3rd indented paragraph in the 6th and 7th lines (page 1, lines 13 and 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "not less than 99 nor more than 123." and inserting in its place the following: '138. The membership of the House of Representatives beginning with the Legislature convening in 2005, and thereafter, shall consist of 125.'

Further amend the resolution in the question in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 48 and 49 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "no less than 99 and no more than 123 members" and inserting in its place the following: '138 members for the Legislature that convenes in 1995 and 125 members for Legislatures that convene in 2005 and thereafter'

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

FISCAL NOTE

The estimated cost of sending this resolution out to referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda enacted during the Second Regular Session of the 115th Legislature. The estimated cost to the Secretary of State if one to 6 referenda are enacted is \$95,000. Each additional referendum costs an additional \$7,000.

2 If approved by the voters, the reduction of the number of
4 members of the House of Representatives will result in future
6 General Fund savings. Based on current cost estimates, beginning
8 in fiscal year 1994-95, the estimated savings would be
10 approximately \$297,180 during a first regular session and
12 \$215,215 during a 2nd regular session. Beginning in fiscal year
14 2004-05, when the number of members would be further reduced, the
16 total estimated savings would be approximately \$594,360 during a
18 first regular session and \$422,630 during a 2nd regular session.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

16 This amendment proposes to reduce the size of the House of
18 Representatives to 138 members beginning in 1995 and to 125
20 members beginning in 2005.

Filed by Rep. Gwadosky of Fairfield
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