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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
116TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 605, L.D. 820, Bill, "An Act to Ensure a Parent's Right to Know"

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. Special advisory referendum on parental notification of a minor's abortion. The Secretary of State shall, at the next statewide election in the month of November following the passage of this Act, hold a special advisory referendum to determine the sentiment of the people on whether parental notification of a minor's abortion should be required prior to the abortion.

Sec. 2. Advisory referendum procedure; submission at statewide election. This advisory referendum must be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next statewide election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The municipal officers of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, at a statewide election, on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November following the passage of this Act, to give their opinion on this question by voting on the following:

"Do you favor a law requiring that at least one parent of a pregnant minor be notified before the minor has an abortion?"

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within the corresponding square below

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2 the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots must be received, sorted,
4 counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings
6 and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as
8 votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review
the returns and shall proclaim, without delay, the total number
of ballots in favor of and opposed to requiring parental
notification of a minor's abortion before the abortion.

10 **Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. Resolved:** That the
12 Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town
and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act
necessary to carry out the purpose of this advisory referendum.

14 **FISCAL NOTE**

16 The estimated cost of sending this question out to
18 referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda
enacted during the First Regular Session of the 116th
20 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.'

24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

26 This amendment replaces the bill. It requires that an
28 advisory referendum be held on the question of whether parental
notification of a minor's abortion should be required before the
abortion.

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Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Judiciary
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