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

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

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

**Sec. 7. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at statewide election; form of question; effective date.** This Act must be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at a statewide election to be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday 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, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

"Do you favor the enactment of 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 shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots must be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes are cast in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act takes effect 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

**HOUSE AMENDMENT**

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2 The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each  
city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this  
4 Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.'

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

8 This amendment adds a referendum clause to the bill,  
requiring a statewide vote in November on whether the bill should  
10 become law.

Filed by Rep. Coffman of Old Town  
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