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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 475, L.D. 1474, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Transfer the Responsibility for Recounts of Elections to the Judicial Branch"

Amend the resolution in that part designated "Art. IV, Part First, §5" by striking out the 2nd and 3rd sentences from the end and inserting in their place the following: 'The Governor shall examine the returned copies of such lists and 7 days before the first Wednesday of December biennially, shall issue a summons to such persons as shall appear to have been elected by a plurality of all votes returned, to attend and take their seats.

Further amend the resolution by striking out those parts designated "Art. IV, Part Second, §3" (page 1, lines 39 to 50 and page 2, lines 1 to 3 in L.D.) and "Art. IV, Part Second, §4" (page 2, lines 5 to 13)

Further amend the resolution by inserting after that part designated "Art. IV, Part Second, §5" the following:

'Constitution, Art. IV, Part Third, §3 is amended to read:

**Section 3. Each House the judge of its qualifications; majority, a quorum.** Each House shall be the judge of the elections and qualifications of its own members, and a majority shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as each House shall provide.'

Further amend the resolution in that part designated "Art. V, Part First, §3" in section 3 by striking out all of the 3rd sentence (page 2, lines 38 to 41 in L.D.)

**HOUSE AMENDMENT**

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2 Further amend the resolution in that part designated "Art. V,  
Part First, §3" in section 3 in the 14th to 16th lines (page 2,  
4 lines 43 to 45 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or, in  
the case of a disputed election, the certificate of the Chief  
Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court"

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8 Further amend the resolution in that part designated "Art.  
VI, §7" by striking out all of section 7 and inserting in its  
place the following:

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12 'Section 7. Determination of disputed elections. If a  
candidate for office disputes the results of an election in  
accordance with procedures adopted by law, the Chief Justice of  
14 the Supreme Judicial Court shall determine the result of the  
election. The Chief Justice may adopt rules setting procedures  
16 to be used in the determination of disputed elections.

18 ; and be it further'

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22 STATEMENT OF FACT

24 This amendment adds an omitted section and deletes  
amendments to language that does not apply to disputed elections.

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