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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
118TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "b" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 64, L.D. 89, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit the Gathering of Signatures at a Polling Place"

Amend the amendment by inserting after the title the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Regarding the Gathering of Signatures in Polling Places'

Further amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §662, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1995, c. 459, §57, is further amended to read:


4. Collection of signatures. The warden may select and designate a specific location at the voting place, accessible and observable by the voters, where the collection of signatures may take place. Persons collecting signatures at the polls may make arrangements with the clerk prior to election day and with the warden on election day. The warden may limit the number of persons collecting signatures to one for each specific question, candidate or issue. Persons collecting signatures may not solicit orally request a voter's signature until the voter has completed voting, display a sign or attempt to influence the voter's decision on whether to sign the petition, except that the

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2 person collecting signatures may answer questions asked by the
3 voter. The warden may direct the removal, under subsection 2,
4 paragraph A, of any person collecting signatures who does not
5 comply with the requirements of this subsection.' '

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8 **SUMMARY**

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10 This amendment replaces the bill. It allows persons to
11 collect signatures at the polling place, provided they do not
12 orally request signatures or attempt to influence a person's
13 decision to sign. The collector may answer questions posed by
14 the voters.

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18 SPONSORED BY: 
19 (Representative DONNELLY)

20 TOWN: Presque Isle
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