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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 bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §662, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1995, c. 459, §57, is repealed.'

Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill may increase prosecutions for Class E crimes. If a jail sentence is imposed, the additional costs to the counties are estimated to be \$83.78 per day per prisoner. These costs are not reimbursed by the State. The number of prosecutions that may result in a jail sentence and the resulting costs to the county jail system are expected to be insignificant.

The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional fines may increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

P. 108

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SUMMARY

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This amendment repeals a section of law relating to the powers and duties of an election warden with regard to signature collectors at the voting place. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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