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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 290, L.D. 354, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for the Direct Popular Election of Constitutional Officers"

Amend the resolution by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for the Direct Popular Election of the Attorney General'

Further amend the resolution by striking out all of that part designated "Constitution, Art. V, Pt. 2nd, §1" (page 1, lines 5 to 14 in L.D.)

Further amend the resolution by striking out all of that part designated "Constitution, Art. V, Pt. 3rd, §1" (page 1, lines 16 to 25 in L.D.)

Further amend the resolution in the question in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 2, lines 3 and 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: ", the Secretary of State and the Treasurer of State"

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

FISCAL NOTE

The estimated cost of sending this resolution out to referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda enacted during the First Regular Session of the 118th Legislature

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2 to be submitted to the voters in November. 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.

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6 If approved by the voters, this resolution may have future
cost implications during primary and general elections if a 2nd
ballot is required to accommodate all of the elected officials
8 due to the limited space on the ballots. The cost of adding a
2nd ballot is \$95,000.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment deletes sections of the resolution proposing
direct popular election of the Secretary of State and the
16 Treasurer of State. It also adds a fiscal note to the resolution.