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## 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1997

Legislative Document

No. 614

H.P. 451

House of Representatives, January 30, 1997

Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State to Create a Pilot Project to Establish Voting by Mail.

Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO. Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.

Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and

Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, O'NEAL of Limestone, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Sec. 1. Pilot program established. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall conduct a pilot program for the purpose of establishing a voting by mail program. The Secretary of State shall establish a pilot program for voting by mail, selecting at least one county to participate, to be conducted at the next statewide primary election. The Secretary of State shall report the results, including the necessary implementing legislation to enact the voting by mail program statewide, to the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs no later than January 1, 1998.

## 14 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Secretary of State to establish a pilot program for voting by mail. The pilot program must include at least one county and be conducted at the next statewide primary election. The Secretary of State must report back to the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs with the necessary implementing legislation by January 1, 1998.