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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1652, L.D. 2282, Bill, "An Act to Establish the Boundary between Harpswell and Brunswick"

Amend the bill in section 1 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "A" and inserting in its place the following: 'The following line is hereby established as the boundary line between the Town of Brunswick and the Town of Harpswell: a'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 3rd blocked paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 31 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Island" the following: ', being point 17 on said Dirigo plan'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 12th blocked paragraph in the last line (page 2, line 28 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "ledge" the following: ', being point 12 on said Dirigo plan'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 13th blocked paragraph in the 3rd line (page 2, line 32 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "1039.05" the following: 'feet'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 14th blocked paragraph in the 3rd line (page 2, line 38 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "1183.84" the following: 'feet'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 15th blocked paragraph in the 3rd line (page 2, line 44 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "557.85" the following: 'feet'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 17th blocked
paragraph in the 3rd line (page 3, line 4 in L.D.) by inserting
4 after the following: "feet to" the following: 'a'

6 Further amend the bill in section 1 in the 22nd blocked
paragraph in the 4th line (page 3, line 34 in L.D.) by inserting
8 after the following: "Road" the following: ', being point 4 on
said Dirigo plan'

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

14 **'Sec. 2. Referendum; effective date.** This Act must be submitted
to the legal voters of the towns of Brunswick and Harpswell at
16 the next general election. The town clerks of the towns shall
prepare the required ballots, on which the clerks shall reduce
18 the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

20 "Shall "An Act to Establish the Boundary between Harpswell
and Brunswick," as enacted by the Legislature, become law?"

22 The voters shall indicate by cross or check mark placed
24 against the word "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same.

26 This Act takes effect 30 days after the municipal officers
declare the vote if it is accepted by a majority of the legal
28 voters voting at the election in each of the towns; and if the
total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this
30 Act in each town equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all
candidates for Governor cast in that town at the most recent
32 gubernatorial election.

34 The result of the vote must be declared by the municipal
officers of the towns of Brunswick and Harpswell and due
36 certificate must be filed by the town clerks with the Secretary
of State.'

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

42 **'FISCAL NOTE**

44 The requirement to hold referenda represents a state mandate
46 pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. The additional local
costs are likely to be relatively minor. General Fund
48 appropriations will be required to fund at least 90% of the
additional costs unless a Mandate Preamble is amended to the bill
50 and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt this
mandate from the funding requirement.'

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SUMMARY

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The amendment makes technical corrections to the description of the boundary line between Harpswell and Brunswick and adds language clarifying that the description is the boundary line. The amendment also makes the Act conditional on approval of the voters of both towns. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.