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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 41, L.D. 55, Bill, "An Act to Clarify Referendum Wording"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §2504, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 92, §2, is amended to read:

§2504. Circulation of petitions for local initiative

Ne A municipality may not enact any charter provision or ordinance prohibiting the circulation of petitions for any local initiative. A petition related to any local initiative, including, without limitation, petitions filed under section 2522, section 2528, subsection 5, the Constitution of Maine, Part Third, Article IV, Section 21, or a municipal charter provision authorizing local initiatives, may be circulated as provided in Title 21-A, ~~section~~ sections 903-A, 904, 904-A and 904-B.

Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §2528, sub-§6, ¶C, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

C. Any question or questions required by law to be submitted to a vote shall must be printed either below the list of candidates or on a separate ballot from the ballot listing candidates. The question must be phrased so that an affirmative vote is in favor of the issue or subject of the question. If a separate ballot is used, this ballot must be a different color than the ballot listing candidates.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment clarifies the bill to include referendum questions on the ballot at a municipal election.

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