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**STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 117, L.D. 314, Bill, "An Act to Restrict Circulators of Initiated Petitions from Being within 250 Feet of Voting Places"

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

'An Act to Restrict the Circulation of Petitions within the Voting Place'

Further amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 1, lines 5 to 7 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Circulating petitions prohibited. A person may not circulate a petition within the voting place.'

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 \$82.48 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.

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

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SUMMARY

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This amendment strikes the bill and replaces the title. The
amended bill prohibits the circulation of petitions within the
12 voting place. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.