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**STATE OF MAINE
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119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 377, L.D. 1078, Bill, "An Act to Extend Term Limits for Elected Officials and Constitutional Officers"

Amend the bill in section 2 by striking out all of the first indented paragraph (page 1, lines 33 to 42 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at statewide election; form of question; effective date. This Act must be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at a statewide election held on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November following passage of this Act. The municipal officers of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:'

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

'FISCAL NOTE

The estimated cost of sending this question out to referendum will vary according to the total number of referenda enacted during the First Regular Session of the 119th Legislature to be submitted to the voters in November 1999. 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.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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This amendment changes the year the referendum question to extend term limits will be placed on the statewide ballot from 2000 to 1999. This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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