

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
122ND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 515, L.D. 720, "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Give the Supreme Judicial Court Authority To Decide Contested Elections Results"

Amend the resolution by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 720

LR 1815(02)

## RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Give the Supreme Judicial Court Authority To Decide Contested Elections Results

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund

Undetermined unbudgeted cost savings - General Fund

#### Referendum Costs

Month/Year	Election Type	Question	Length
Nov-05	General	Referendum	Standard

The Secretary of State's budget includes sufficient funds to accommodate one ballot of average length for the general election in November. If the number or size of the referendum questions increases the ballot length, an additional appropriation of \$8,000 or more may be required.

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

If approved by the voters, this legislation could result in unbudgeted cost savings to the Legislature in those years when a contested election requires the services of legal counsel to determine the outcome. The timing and probability of unbudgeted savings can not be determined at this time and, therefore, no funds can be deappropriated from the legislative budget if this provision is adopted.