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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1050, L.D. 1493, "Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Request That the United States Secretary of Transportation Place Maine in the Atlantic Standard Time Zone"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "zone" the following: 'if the referendum in this resolve is supported by a majority of voters'

Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Daylight saving time not recognized. Resolved: That, pending the results of the referendum in this resolve, if a majority of the voters vote in favor of the referendum, which includes not recognizing daylight saving time, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters shall report out legislation to the 1st Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature that amends the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 151 to eliminate daylight saving time; and be it further

Sec. 3. Funding. Resolved: That costs of the referendum in this resolve must be fully funded by outside sources. The Office of the Secretary of State shall establish an account to receive donations raised for the referendum. All funds accepted must be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary of State along with an accounting record that includes the amount of funds, dates the funds were received and from whom the funds were received. The Office of the Secretary of State shall administer any funds received. If sufficient funds have not been received by June 30, 2006, the referendum may not be carried out and the donors have 180 days to claim the money from the Office of the Secretary of

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2 State. If the funds are not claimed, the funds will lapse into
the General Fund. If funds are in excess of the costs, the
4 donors have 180 days to claim the amount in excess before the
funds lapse into the General Fund; and be it further'

6 Further amend the resolve in section 2 in the 5th line (page
1, line 20 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "following
8 passage of this resolve" and inserting in its place the
following: '2006'

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12 Further amend the resolve in section 2 in the question in
the last line (page 1, line 28 in L.D.) by inserting after the
14 following: "zone" the following: ', which is the same as
year-round Eastern Daylight Saving Time'

16 Further amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
18 consecutively.

20 **SUMMARY**

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24 This amendment clarifies that if Maine moves to Atlantic
Standard Time there would be no recognition of daylight saving
time and amends the referendum question to reflect this. The
26 referendum would be held at the same time as the November
election in 2006. The amendment also states that the referendum
28 may go ahead only if the costs are raised privately.

30 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
32 **(See attached)**



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LD 1493

LR 0267(02)

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

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds
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 Potential current biennium revenue increase - General Fund

Referendum Costs

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

The requirement that the referendum costs be fully funded by private sources may increase Other Special Revenue Funds revenue collected by the Department of the Secretary of State. The amount required will depend on whether additional referendum questions are included on the statewide ballot for the November 2006 general election. The precise amount needed can not be determined at this time. If private funds are collected but subsequently unspent, donors have 180 days to claim the money. Unclaimed funds will lapse to the General Fund.