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HOUSE AMENDMENT "H" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1449, L.D. 2055, Bill, "An Act To Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine"

Amend the amendment by adding after Part E the following:

PART F

Sec. F-1. 21-A MRSA §809-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 651, §4, is amended to read:

1. **Electronic connections prohibited.** Connections of any voting devices, as defined by section 808, via the Internet to centralized vote collection equipment may not be employed by election officials of the State. Networking of voting machines, Internet-enabled or otherwise, is prohibited. This prohibition does not apply to the connection of individual voting devices to a central server using a wired, point-to-point telephone connection that is not Internet-enabled, when the central server is operated or managed by the Secretary of State and is for the purposes of complying with the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252.

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

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the prohibition on networking of voting machines does not apply to the connection of individual

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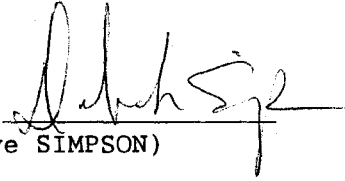
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2 voting devices to a central server using a wired, point-to-point
3 telephone connection that is not Internet-enabled, when the
4 central server is operated or managed by the Secretary of State.
5 This is to allow compliance with the federal Help America Vote
6 Act of 2002, which requires the provision of voting systems
7 equipped for individuals with disabilities.

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