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L.D. 1552  
(Filing No. H-266)

Minority

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
123RD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1077, L.D. 1552, "RESOLUTION,  
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Provide for the Reduction in  
the Size of the Legislature"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the minority report, incorporates a fiscal note.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1552

LR 787(02)

## RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Provide for the Reduction in the Size of the Legislature

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"  
Committee: State and Local Government  
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

Current biennium cost increase - General Fund  
Potential current biennium net savings - General Fund

Referendum Costs	Month/Year	Election Type	Question	Length
	Nov-07	General	Referendum	Standard

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

If the constitutional amendment is approved by the voters, the size of the Legislature will be reduced by 46 representatives, allowing a reduction of the Personal Services and All Other line categories of the Legislative budget by \$1,790,328 in fiscal year 2008-09, \$1,571,588 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$1,969,067 in fiscal year 2010-11. These savings will be reduced by the cost in fiscal year 2007-08 to conduct redistricting. Based on the amount spent for this purpose in fiscal year 2002-03, the cost in 2007-08 is estimated to be \$450,000.

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.