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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 69, L.D. 81, Bill, "An Act To Change the Name of Township 3, Range 9, NWP, to Cedar Lake Township"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the emergency preamble the following:

'Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, 2/3 of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.'

Amend the bill in section 2 by striking out all of the 4th indented paragraph (page 1, lines 32 and 33 in L.D.)

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency clause and inserting the following:

'Emergency clause; referendum; effective date. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters residing in the unorganized territory of Township 3, Range 9, NWP in Penobscot County at a special or regular town meeting or election no later than 6 months after adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature. The name change in section 1 takes effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the bill is an emergency only for the purpose of submitting the question of the name change to the voters. The name change takes effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election. The amendment also adds a mandate preamble.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 81

LR 453(02)

An Act To Change the Name of Township 3, Range 9, NWP, to Cedar Lake Township

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

Committee: State and Local Government

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Exempted

State Mandates

Required Activity

To hold a referendum to authorize the name change of a township in Penobscot County

Unit Affected

County

Local Cost

Moderate limited scope

Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the state from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional local costs.