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H.P. 229

House of Representatives, February 3, 2011

An Act To Require That the Secretary of State Certify the Qualifications of Candidates for Legislative Office

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative NASS of Acton.
Cosponsored by Senator HASTINGS of Oxford and
Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, FLOOD of Winthrop, MOULTON of York, PILON
of Saco, PRESCOTT of Topsham, RUSSELL of Portland, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton,
WEAVER of York.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §335, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

3 **10. Secretary of State certification.** The Secretary of State shall certify that a
4 candidate for State Senate or State House of Representatives meets the age and residency
5 requirements pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part First and Part Second
6 in order for the petition to be valid.

7 **Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §354, sub-§10** is enacted to read:

8 **10. Secretary of State certification.** The Secretary of State shall certify that a
9 candidate for State Senate or State House of Representatives meets the age and residency
10 requirements pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IV, Part First and Part Second
11 in order for the petition to be valid.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill requires the Secretary of State to certify that candidates for legislative office
14 meet the age and residency requirements contained in the Constitution of Maine.