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H.P. 131

House of Representatives, January 31, 2013

**RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of
Maine Concerning Early Voting and Voting by Absentee Ballot**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SHAW of Standish.
Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and
Representatives: CHIPMAN of Portland, Speaker EVES of North Berwick, THERIAULT of
Madawaska, Senators: President ALFOND of Cumberland, COLLINS of York, DUTREMBLE
of York, HILL of York.

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SUMMARY

2 This resolution proposes to amend the Constitution of Maine to require the
3 Legislature to authorize a process to allow a qualified voter to vote at a polling place in or
4 outside of the city, town or plantation where that voter's residence has been established
5 during a period immediately preceding an election. It also allows for voting by absentee
6 ballot by citizens for reasons deemed sufficient without requiring in the Constitution of
7 Maine that the citizens be absent or physically incapacitated.