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**STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 520, L.D. 769, Bill, "An Act To Create Fairness in Political Party Enrollment Deadlines"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §144, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 459, §16, is further amended to read:

**3. Restrictions during change of enrollment.** Except as provided in subsection 4, a voter may not vote at a caucus, convention or primary election for 15 days after filing an application to change enrollment. A Notwithstanding subsection 4, a voter must file an application to change enrollment prior to January 1st to be eligible to file a petition as a candidate in that election year.

**Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §144, sub-§4**, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

**4. Change of residence.** When a voter changes his residence from one municipality to another and establishes a new voting residence there, he that voter may enroll in any party and vote at a caucus, convention or primary election, or file a petition as a candidate for nomination by primary election, regardless of his that voter's previous enrollment.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill. Current law requires a voter to have changed enrollment before January 1st in order to be eligible to file a petition as a candidate for nomination by primary election in that election year, except that a voter who changes residence from one municipality to another is waived from this requirement. The amendment removes this waiver.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**