

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 16

House of Representatives, January 5, 2017

### An Act Concerning the Property Tax Levy Limit

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Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative HANLEY of Pittston.  
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and  
Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, JOHANSEN of Monticello, ORDWAY of  
Standish, PIERCE of Dresden, WALLACE of Dexter.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5721-A, sub-§7, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 2, Pt. C,  
3 §1 and affected by §§3 and 5 and c. 12, Pt. WW, §16, is amended to read:

4 A. If the municipal budget is adopted by town meeting or by referendum, the  
5 property tax levy limit may be exceeded by the same process that applies to adoption  
6 of the municipal budget ~~except that the vote must be by written ballot on a separate~~  
7 ~~article that specifically identifies the intent to exceed the property tax levy limit.~~

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill eliminates the requirement of a vote by written ballot on a separate article to  
10 exceed or increase the property tax levy limit in municipalities where the budget is  
11 approved by town meeting or referendum.