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1			LD 694
2	Date 5/12/23	MINORITY	(Filing No H-132)
3	VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS		
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8	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION		
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to HP 463, LD 694, "An Act to Lower the Signature Quantity Requirement for Certain Independent Candidates for Elected Office"		
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 5 in paragraph C in the first line (page 1, line 10 in L D) by striking out the following "4,000 and not more than 5,000" and inserting the following '4,000 and not more than 5,000'		
14 15	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively		
16	SUMMARY		
17 18 19 20	This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, reduces the number of signatures required for a nomination petition for an independent candidate for United States Senator from at least 4,000 and not more than 5,000 voters to at least 2,000 and not more than 2,500 voters		
21	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED		
22		(See attached)	

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## 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 694

LR 549(02)

An Act to Lower the Signature Quantity Requirement for Certain Independent Candidates for Elected Office

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment '\( \)' (\( \) - \( \) Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Fiscal Note**

No net fiscal impact

## Fiscal Detail and Notes

While lowering the amount of signatures required for nomination petitions may reduce costs by minor amounts to the Department of Secretary of State, the reduction could increase petitions filed, leading to a minor increase in costs the department