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NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 187 House of Representatives, January 29, 1959.
Referred to the Committee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Crockett of Freeport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Permitting Nomination of Town Officials by Political Caucus.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 90-A, § 37, sub-§ III, amended. The first sentence of subsection III of section 37 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'The nomination for any office shall be made by **political caucus or by** nomination papers signed by at least the following number of voters based on the population of the town according to the last decennial census of the United States: 25 in towns of 1,000 or less population; 50 in towns of 1,001 to 4,000; 75 in towns of 4,001 to 10,000; and 100 in towns of more than 10,000.'

- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 90-A, § 37, sub-§ III, ¶ B, amended. Paragraph B of subsection III of section 37 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:
 - 'B. All certificates of political caucus nominations shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of the caucus. Such certificates and Nomination nomination papers shall specify the name of the candidate and the office for which he is nominated. They shall be filed with the clerk on or before the 14th day next prior to the day of election. When filed, they shall be made available by the clerk to public inspection under proper protective regulations. The clerk shall keep them in his office for 6 months.'
- Sec. 3. R. S., c. 90-A, § 37, sub-§ III, ¶ C, amended. The first sentence of paragraph C of subsection III of section 37 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

'A certificate of political caucus nomination and a nomination paper which conforms with this section is valid unless a written objection to it is made to the selectmen on or before the 12th day next prior to the day of election.'