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LD 817 / SP0312

An Act to Provide a Referendum to Abolish County Government and Authorize Reassignment of its Functions and Duties to Appropriate State and Municipal Departments and Agencies. Presented by Sen. Kany of Kennebec; Co-sponsored by Sen. Berube of Androscoggin, Rep. Martin of Eagle Lake, and Sen. Dillenback of Cumberland. State and Local Government Hearing 04/14/89. Majority ONTP Accepted by House; Minority OTP-AM Accepted by Senate. House - Adhered to Majority ONTP; Senate - Insisted on Engrossment with CA. Died Between Houses.

Original Bill

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Analyst's Summary of Bill

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(S-316\) \(LD 817\) \(Minority\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

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Reports and Other Related Documents

[County Government: a Study of its Structure & Possible Redistribution of Certain Functions: Final Report of the Study Subcommittee, Joint Standing Comm. on State & Local Government \(December 1989\)](#)

News Articles

- Senator Kany calls for an end to county government (Poulson, R.K.) (Franklin Journal, 4/4/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114629.pdf)
- Sheriffs buck bill to end county rule, but Kany backs it (Cartwright, Steve) (Morning Sentinel, 4/5/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114677.pdf)
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- Kany says county government outdated, should be abolished (Ferch, David) (Kennebec Journal, 4/15/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114751.pdf)
- Lisbon selectman slams county system (Times Record (Brunswick), 4/18/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114704.pdf)
- Arguing county government's worth (Fraser, Jerry) (York County Coast Star, 4/19/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114707.pdf)
- County government debate one that keeps resurfacing (Ferch, David) (Kennebec Journal, 5/5/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB114824.pdf)
- Keep home rule (McCormick, John S. Jr.) (Courier-Gazette, 6/22/1989) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: /LD08XX/nc114-LD-0817/SB1141085.pdf)

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