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**128th Legislature (2016-2018)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 31 / HP0032

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment To the Constitution of Maine To Require That Signatures on a Direct Initiative of Legislation Come from Each Congressional District. Presented by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Public Hearing 02/15/17. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 04/11/18. Amended by: CB H-572. Carried Over: 08/02/17. Final Disposition: Died Between Houses 04/18/18.

**Original Bill**

[LD 31 \(128th Legis. 2017\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill**

[LD 31 \(1st Regular Session\)](#)

[LD 31 \(Carried over\)](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf128-LD-0031.pdf)

**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(H-503\) \(LD 31 2017\) \(Majority\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(H-572\) \(LD 31 2018\) \(Majority\) \(Passed\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

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[SENATE, January 26, 2017 \(S58-73\)](#)

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[HOUSE, June 16, 2017 \(H937-960\)](#)

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- p. S-1331 (Amendment(s) H-503)

[HOUSE, August 2, 2017 \(H1140-1187\)](#)

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[HOUSE, April 12, 2018 \(H1610-1640\)](#)

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[HOUSE, April 17, 2018 \(H1655-1669\)](#)

- p. H-1665 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p1667)) (Amendment(s) H-572)

[SENATE, April 17, 2018 \(S1956-1990\)](#)

- p. S-1974 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p1975)) (Amendment(s) H-572)

[HOUSE, April 18, 2018 \(H1670-1713\)](#)

- p. H-1692

[SENATE, April 18, 2018 \(S1991-2022\)](#)

- p. S-1992 (Amendment(s) H-572)

## News Articles

A referendum fix (Editorial) (Ellsworth American, 5/25/2017, p. Sec. III, p. 1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/Ellsworth American 170525B.pdf)

Liberal groups use referendum process to push change on rural Maine We can fix the system (David Trahan) (Bangor Daily News, 8/1/2017, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/BDN 170801D.pdf)

Maine's last shot at ballot initiative reform (Jacob Posik) (Times Record, 8/3/2017, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/Times Record 170803A.pdf)

Bill would make it harder to get citizen questions on Maine ballot (Marina Villeneuve) (Maine Sunday Telegram, 2/18/2018, p. B1, B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/MST 180218C.pdf)

The reporter didn't get it right - this bill is nonpartisan (David Trahan) (Portland Press Herald, 2/22/2018, p. A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/PPH 180222B.pdf)

Push to change the way Maine puts questions on ballot fizzles again (Christopher Cousins) (Bangor Daily News, 4/18/2018, p. B1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/BDN 180418E.pdf)

Reining in out of control ballot initiatives (Editorial) (Ellsworth American, 4/19/2018, p. Sec. II, p.1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/Ellsworth American 180419C.pdf)

Moody campaigns on repealing voter-approved laws (Dan Neumann) (Times Record, 6/26/2018, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 128/LD00xx/nc128-LD-0031/Times Record 180626C.pdf)

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