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BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 342 AN ACT RELATING TO ABSENTEE VOTING

HANDY
MURPHY E
HAYDEN
POULIOT

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would have eliminated the requirement that a voter who has voted absentee, but is present in the municipality and able to vote at the voting place on election, must do so.

LD: 343 AN ACT CONCERNING ABSENTEE BALLOTING BY
PERSONS 65 YEARS OR OLDER

BOUTILIER
DIAMOND G
HICKEY
WARREN

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would have made voters who are 65 or older eligible to vote absentee.

LD: 344 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTION LAWS

ALIBERTI
TRAFTON
REEVES

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

CH #383

H-214	CA		H	S
H-316	CA	MCCOLLISTER		
H-317	CA	MCCOLLISTER		
H-332	CA	MILLS	H	S

SUMMARY:

This bill, as amended by Committee Amendment "A", clarifies some of the language of the election laws. It also sets the deadline for filing a (non-primary) nomination petition as July 1st of the election year. In addition, registrars are to provide computer-readable copies of voting lists if technically feasible to produce. A handicapped voter whose voting place is not accessible must give the clerk 48 hours notice if he will vote at an alternative voting place.

House Amendment "A" (H-316) (Not adopted) would have added language which limited the price of copies of voting lists to the cost of furnishing the copy.

House Amendment "B" (H-317) (Not adopted) - Same as "A".

House Amendment "C" (H-332) establishes the date of the primary election as the deadline for filing nomination petitions of non-party candidates.