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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 176, L.D. 199, Bill, “An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photograph Identification for the Purpose of Voting”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Study Voter Participation and Registration and the Conduct of Elections in the State'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Report on voter participation, the registration of voters and the conduct of elections. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall conduct a study of voter participation, the current system for registering voters and the conduct of elections in the State. The Secretary of State shall report the findings of the study and any suggested legislation recommended for introduction to the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over elections matters no later than February 1, 2013.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that directs the Secretary of State to conduct a study of voter participation, the system governing voter registration and the conduct of elections and report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over elections matters by February 1, 2013.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT