

Votes On Maine Initiated Bills, 1911-

| Year | Bill No. | Bill Title | Legislative Action | Ballot Question | Date of Vote | Yes Votes | No Votes | Enacted Law | Comments |
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| 1911 | S.D. 75 | An Act to Provide for Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties by Primary Elections | Sent out to referendum | Same as bill | Sept. 11, 1911 | 65,810 | 21,774 | P.L. 1913, c. 221. | Currently 21-A MRSA § 331 et seq |
| 1923 | S.D. 157 | An Act to Amend Sections One and Three of Chapter Three Hundred Fifty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen, Relative to the Hours of Employment of Women and Minors | Sent out to referendum | To Establish a Forty-eight Hour Week for Women and Minors | Oct. 15, 1923 | 33,991 | 53,784 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1927 | No Printed Document Located- Text copied from the Legislative Record | An Act to Repeal Sections One to Thirty-six of Chapter Six of the Revised Statutes Relative to Primary Elections | Sent out to referendum | To Repeal the Direct Primary Law | Oct. 18, 1927 | 20,027 | 37,114 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1933 | L.D. 811, I.B. 1 | An Act to Raise an Excise Tax on Corporations Organized for Making, Generating, Selling, Distributing and/or Supplying Electricity or Electric Current for Power, Lighting, Heating, Manufacturing or Mechanical Purposes | Sent out to referendum | To Raise the Tax on Corporations Distributing and Supplying Electric Power | Sept. 11, 1933 | 46,015 | 90,804 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1933 | L.D. 812, I.B. 2 | An Act Establishing a Low Rate Tax on Intangible Personal Property in Accordance with Constitutional Amendment Permitting the Same | Sent out to referendum | An Act Establishing a Low Rate Tax on Intangible Personal Property | Sept. 11, 1933 | 44,832 | 85,332 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 1935 | L.D. 217, I.B. 1 | An Act Relating to the Use of the General Highway Fund, and to Prevent Diversion Thereof | Sent out to referendum | Same as the bill | Sept. 14, 1936 | 182,012 | 52,590 | Initiated Act 1936, c. 1 | Currently 23 MRSA § 1653 |
| 1941 | L.D. 1158, I.B. 1 | An Act to Provide a Police Commission for the City of Biddeford | Enacted by Legislature as P&SL 1941, c. 84, not sent to referendum. | None | None | None | None | P&SL 1941, c. 84 | |
| 1941 | L.D. 1159, I.B. 2 | An Act Relating to Elections in the City of Biddeford | Enacted by Legislature as P&SL 1941, c. 83, not sent to referendum | None | None | None | None | P&SL 1941, c. 83 | |
| 1947 | I.B. 1 | An Act to Protect the Right to Work and to Prohibit Secondary Boycotts, Sympathetic Strikes and Jurisdictional Strikes (Barlow Bill) | Sent out to referendum | Same as the bill | Sept. 13, 1948 | 46,809 | 126,285 votes against both measures | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1948 | L.D. 242 (competing Measure) | An Act Protecting the Right of Members and Non-Members of Labor Organizations to the Opportunity to Work (Tabb Bill) | Enacted as PL 1947, c. 395 and sent out as a competing measure to I.B. 1 (the Barlow Bill) | Same as the bill | Sept. 13, 1948 | 13,676 | 126,285 votes against both measures | Competing Measure. Was repealed by PL 1949, c. 349 § 50 | |
| 1971 | L.D. 1536, I.B. 1 | An Act Repealing the "Maine Income Tax Law" | Sent out to referendum | "Shall the Corporate and Individual Maine Income Tax Law be Repealed?" | Nov. 2, 1971 | 63,393 | 190,261 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1972 | L.D. 1707, I.B. 2 | An Act Relating to Form of Ballots in General Elections | Sent out to referendum | Same as the bill | June 19, 1972 | 110,867 | 65,506 | 1971 I.B. (no chapter number given) | Amended: 21 MRSA § 2(2)(C), Repealed and replaced: 21 MRSA § 702(1), (2)(A),(B) and 21 MRSA § 922, Repealed 21 MRSA §§ 702(2)(D) and 1069(4) |

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| 1973 | I.B. 1 (no LD number available) | An Act Creating the Power Authority of Maine | Sent out to referendum | "Shall an Initiated Bill 'An Act Creating the Maine Power Authority' become Law?" | Nov. 6, 1973 | 95,645 | 151,480 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1975 | L.D. 1619, I.B. 1 | An Act to Establish a Public Preserve in the Bigelow Mountain Area | "Died Between Houses", Sent out to Referendum | "Shall an Initiated Bill 'An Act to establish a Public Preserve in the Bigelow Mountain Area' become Law?" | June 8, 1976 | 85,782 | 81,915 | 1975 I.B. (no chapter number given) | This Legislation did not contain any statutory language |
| 1977 | L.D. 270, I.B. 1 | An Act to Repeal the State Property Tax | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | Do You Wish to Repeal the Uniform State Property Tax? | Dec. 5, 1977 | 124,322 | 95,413 | 1977 I.B. (no chapter number given) | Repealed: 20 MRSA § 3742 (1) and (2), and 36 MRSA §§ 451 (2), 452 (2), 453 and 453-A |
| 1979 | L.D. 1412, I.B. 1 | An Act to Repeal the Forced Deposit Law | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | Do You Wish to Repeal the "Returnable Container Law" (Bottle Bill)? | Nov. 6, 1979 | 41,480 | 226,687 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1980 | L.D. 1984, I.B. 2 | An Act to Prohibit the Generation of Electric Power by Means of Nuclear Fission | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | Same as the bill | Sept. 23, 1980 | 161,181 | 233,198 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1981 | L.D. 522, I.B. 1 | An Act to Create the Maine Energy Commission | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | Same as the bill | Nov. 3, 1981 | 90,333 | 144,647 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1982 | L.D. 1737, I.B. 2 | An Act to Adjust Annually Individual Income Tax Laws to Eliminate Inflation-Induced Increases in Individual State Income Taxes | "Died Between Houses", sent out to Referendum | Same as the bill | Nov. 2, 1982 | 240,023 | 182,939 | 1981 I.B. 2 | Enacted: 36 MRSA § 5401-5403. Amended: 36 MRSA §§ 5111, 5124-A and 5126 |
| 1982 | L.D. 1935, I.B. 3 | An Act to Repeal the Control of Milk Prices at the Wholesale and Retail Levels | "Ought Not to Pass, sent out to Referendum | Same as the bill | Nov. 2, 1982 | 222,422 | 232,430 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1982 | L.D. 1989, I.B. 4 | An Act to End the Use of Nuclear Power for Producing Electricity | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | Same as the bill | Nov. 2, 1982 | 201,617 | 256,124 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1983 | L.D. 743, I.B. 1 | An Act to Repeal the Law Providing an Open Season on Moose | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Shall Maine Repeal the Hunting Season on Moose?" | Nov. 8, 1983 | 121,125 | 185,603 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 1985 | L.D. 615, I.B. 1 | An Act to Require Voter Approval of the Disposal of Low-level Radioactive Waste | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum as Measure "A" with competing measure "B", L.D. 1649, P.L. 1985, c. 493 | "Do You Want the Right to Vote for or Against Any Plan for the Storage or Disposal of Low-level Radioactive Waste?" | Nov. 5, 1985 | "A" 86,678. "B" 45,920. | "C" Against Both Measures: 39,893 | I.B. 1985, c. 1 | Enacted: 38 MRSA §§ 1491 to 1497. |
| 1985 | L.D. 1649 (Competing Measure) | An Act to Establish a State Policy Relating to the Disposal of Low-level Radioactive Waste | Enacted as P.L. 1985, c. 493 as a Competing Measure to L.D. 615, I.B. 1. It was question "B" on the ballot. | "Do You Want to Vote on any Maine Site for Disposal of Low-level Radioactive Waste if it is not Disposed of safely Outside of Maine or at the Maine Yankee Site?" | Nov. 5, 1985 | "A" 86,678. "B" 45,920 | "C" Against Both Measures: 39,893 | | |
| 1986 | L.D. 2092. I.B. 2 | An Act to Prohibit the Promotion and Wholesale Promotion of Pornographic Material in the State of Maine | Ought Not to Pass, sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Make it a Crime to Make, Sell, Give for Value, or Otherwise Promote Obscene Material in Maine?" | June 10, 1986 | 81,970 | 209,537 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1986 | L.D. 2093, I.B. 3 | An Act to Prohibit Mandatory Local Measured Service and to Preserve Affordable Traditional Flat Rate Local Telephone Service at as Low a Cost as Possible | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You want to Ban Mandatory Local Measured Phone Service and Direct the State to Keep Flat Rate Phone Service at as Low a Cost as Possible?" | Nov. 4, 1986 | 241,894 | 178,745 | I.B. 1985, c. 2 | Enacted as: 35 MRSA § 80. Currently: 35-A MRSA § 7303 |
| 1987 | L.D.20, I.B. 1 | An Act Regarding the Generation of Electric Power and High-level Radioactive Waste | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Let any Power Plant Like Maine Yankee Operate after July 4, 1988, if it Makes High Level Nuclear Waste?" | Nov. 3, 1987 | 235,069 | 162,902 | | A "Yes" vote allowed Maine Yankee to continue operating |
| 1989 | L.D. 255, I.B. 1 | A Resolution Regarding the Testing of Cruise Missiles in Maine | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor Stopping Cruise Missile Tests in Maine?" | Nov. 7, 1989 | 122,820 | 112,109 | I.B. 1989, c. 1 | This was a "Resolution" only. No statutory citations. |

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| 1989 | L.D. 256, I.B.2 | An Act to Limit Spending and Contributions in Campaigns for Governor | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor the Changes in Maine Law Concerning Campaign Finances for Candidates for Governor, as Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 7, 1989 | 98,558 | 126,140 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1990 | L.D. 2371, I.B. 3 | An Act to Amend the Sunday Sales Law | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor the Change in Maine Law that Would Allow all Stores a Choice to Open on Sunday and Certain Holidays, Provided Stores in Excess of 5000 Square Feet of Selling Space do not Require thier Employees to Work on Such Days Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 6, 1990 | 272,129 | 246,378 | I.B. 1989, c. 2 | Amended: 17 MRSA § 3204 |
| 1991 | L.D. 719, I.B. 1 | An Act to Deauthorize the Widening of the Maine Turnpike and to Create a Sensible Transportation Policy | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor the Changes in Maine Law Concerning Deauthorizing the Widening of the Maine Turnpike and Establishing Transportation Policy Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 5, 1991 | 224,277 | 156,861 | I.B 1991, c. 1 | Enacted: 23 MRSA §§ 73, 1961 (5),(6) and 1964 (6-A). Amended: 23 MRSA §§ 1961 (2), 1965 (1)(D),(O), 1968 (1), 1974 (4) and 1977 |
| 1991 | L.D. 720, I.B. 2 | An Act to Enact the Passenger Rail Service Act | L.D. 720 was enacted with amendment H-461 by the Legislature and never went to referendum for a vote | None | None | None | None | P.L. 1991, c. 587 | Enacted: 23 MRSA §§ 7171 to 7181 |

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| 1993 | LD 751, I. B. 1 | An Act to Impose Term Limitations on Legislators, Constitutional Officers and the State Auditor | "Died Between Houses", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor Changes in Maine Law Limiting the Number of Terms Which May Be Served by Maine's State Legislators, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General and State Auditor Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 2, 1993 | 159,785 | 76,732 | I.B. 1993, c. 1 | Enacted: 21-A MRSA §§ 551 to 554 |
| 1994 | L.D. 1983, I.B. 2 | An Act to Impose Term Limits on Members of the United States Congress | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor the Changes in Maine Law Limiting the Number of Terms which May Be Served by Maine's Representatives to the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 8, 1994 | 312,007 | 182,192 | I.B. 1993, c. 2 | Enacted: 21-A MRSA § 421. This law was declared unconstitutional by a Maine Federal District Court decision, "League of Women Voters of Maine v. Diamond", No. 94-377-P-H (D. Me., May 26, 1995) and was repealed by P.L. 2001, c. 516 § 5. |
| 1995 | L.D. 310, I.B. 1 | An Act to Limit Protected Classes Under Maine Law | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor the Changes in Maine Law Limiting Protected Classifications, in Future State and Local Laws to Race, Color, Sex, Physical or Mental Disability, Religion, Age, Ancestry, National Origin, Familial Statuts, and Marital Status, and Repealing Existing Laws which Expand these Classifications as Proposed by Citizen Petition?" | Nov. 7, 1995 | 193,938 | 221,562 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 1995 | L.D. 716, I.B. 2 | An Act to Repeal the Motor Vehicle Emission Program | L.D. 716 was enacted with amendment H-144 by the Legislature and never went to referendum for a vote | None | None | None | None | P.L. 1995, c. 49 | Repealed: 29-A MRSA § 403 and 38 MRSA §§ 2401 to 2408 |
| 1995 | L.D. 717, I.B. 3 | An Act to Establish the Outdoor Heritage Fund | L.D. 717 was enacted with amendment H-279 by the Legislature and never went to referendum for a vote | None | None | None | None | P.L. 1995, c. 494 | Enacted: 5 MRSA § 942-A, 8 MRSA § 374(5) and 12 MRSA §§ 7781 to 7789. Amended: 2 MRSA § 6 and 5 MRSA § 12004-G |
| 1996 | L.D. 1819, I.B. 4 | An Act to Promote Forest Rehabilitation and Eliminate Clearcutting | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum as Question 2A along with Competing Measure Resolution C.M.R. 1995, c.1, (L.D. 1892), Question 2B | "Do You Want Maine to Ban Clearcutting and Set Other New Logging Standards?" | Nov. 5, 1996 | "2A" 175,078. "2B" 282,620 | "2C" Against Both Measures 139,176 | | The Initiated Bill was not approved. Question 2B (L.D. 1892) did receive the largest number of votes and was carried over to the next general election on Nov. 4, 1997 for further consideration by the voters. This measure was defeated at the Nov. 4, 1997 election. |

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| 1996 | L.D. 1892 | An Act to Implement the Compact for Maine's Forests | Enacted with amendments H-924, H-931, H-933, S-605 and S-606 as Competing Measure Resolution, C.M.R 1995, c. 1. Became Question 2B on the Ballot. | "Do You Want the Compact for Maine's Forests to Become Law to Promote Sustainable Forest Management Practices Throughout the State?" | Nov. 5, 1996 and Nov. 4, 1997 | "2A" 175,078 "2B" 282,620 | "2C" Against Both Measures 139,176 | C.M.R. 1995, c.1 | The Initiated Bill was not approved. Question 2B (L.D. 1892) did receive the largest number of votes and was carried over to the next general election on Nov. 4, 1997 for further consideration by the voters. This measure was defeated at this later Referendum. |
| 1996 | L.D. 1823, I.B. 5 | An Act to Reform Campaign Finance | "Died Between Houses", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want Maine to Adopt New Campaign Finance Laws and Give Public Funding to Candidates for State Office Who Agree to Spending Limits?" | Nov. 5, 1996 | 320,755 | 250,185 | I.B. 1995, c. 1 | Enacted: 21-A MRSA §§ 1121 to 1128, and 36 MRSA § 5286. Amended: 1 MRSA §§ 1002, 1008, 3 MRSA §§ 313 and 320, 5 MRSA § 12004-G, 21-A MRSA §§ 23, 1015, 1017, 1018, 1020-A and 1056. Repealed and replaced 21-A MRSA § 1019 |
| 1996 | L.D. 1827, I.B. 6 | An Act to Seek Congressional Term Limits | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want Maine to Require Candidates and Elected Officials to Show Support for Congressional Term Limits or Have their Refusal Printed on the Ballot?" | Nov. 5, 1996 | 318,119 | 225,620 | I.B. 1995, c. 2 | Enacted: 21-A MRSA §§ 641 to 646. This act was repealed by P.L. 2001, c. 516 § 8 |

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| 1997 | L.D.1892 Carry-over Meaure | An Act to Implement the Compact for Maine's Forests | Enacted with amendments H-924, H-931, H-933, S-605 and S-606 as Competing Measure Resolution, C.M.R 1995, c. 1. Was Question 2B on the Ballot. On the Nov. 5, 1996 ballot. | "Do You Want the Compact for Maine's Forests to Become Law to Promote Sustainable Forest Management Practices Throughout the State?" | Carry over measure from Nov. 5, 1996. Voted on Nov. 4, 1997 | 164,574 | 182,368 | C.M.R. 1995, c. 1 | This Competing Measure Resolution received enough votes at the Nov. 5, 1996 votes to be carried over to the Nov. 4, 1997 Referendum where it was voted on as a stand alone measure. It was not approved at this Referendum |
| 1997 | L.D. 1017. I.B. 1 | An Act to Protect Traditional Marriage and Prohibit Same Sex Marriages | Enacted with amendment H-104 by the Legislature | None | None | None | None | P.L. 1997, c. 65 | Enacted: 19 MRSA §2-A |
| 1999 | L.D. 1593, I.B. 1 | An Act to Ban Partial Birth Abortion | "Died Between Houses", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Ban a Specific Abortion Procedure to be Defined in Law , except in Cases Where the Life of the Mother is in Danger?" | Nov. 2, 1999 | 185,541 | 232,113 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 1999 | L.D. 2109, I.B. 2 | An Act to Permit the Medical Use of Marijuana | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Allow Patients with Specific Illnesses to Grow and Use Small Amounts of Marijuana for Treatment, as Long as Such Use is Approved by a Doctor?" | Nov. 2, 1999 | 256,387 | 161,114 | I.B. 1999, c. 1 | Enacted: 15 MRSA 5821-A, and 22 MRSA §§ 2383-B (A-1), (A-2), (B-1),(3)(E) and (5) |
| 2000 | L.D. 2348, I.B. 3 | An Act to Enact the Maine Death with Dignity Act | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Should a Terminally Ill Adult Who is of Sound Mind be Allowed to Ask for and Receive a Doctor's Help to Die?" | Nov. 7, 2000 | 315,031 | 332,280 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2000 | L.D. 2349, I.B 4 | An Act to Allow Video Lottery Terminals | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Allow Video Lottery Machines at Certain Horse Racing Tracks if 40% of the Profits are Used for Property Tax Relief?" | Nov. 7, 2000 | 253,920 | 387,872 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 2000 | L.D.2594, I.B. 5 | An Act Regarding Forest Practices | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Favor Requiring Landowners to Obtain a Permit for All Clear-cuts and Defining Cutting Levels for Lands Subject to the Tree Growth Tax Law?" | Nov. 7, 2000 | 181,643 | 459,239 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2000 | L.D. 2602, B. 6 | I. An Act to Repeal the Sales Tax on Snack Food Except Candy and Confections | L.D. 2602 was enacted with amendment H-1014 by the Legislature and never went to referendum for a vote | None | None | None | None | P.L. 1999, c. 698 | Amended: 36 MRSA § 1752 (3) Repealed: 36 MRSA § 1752 (14-C) |
| 2003 | L.D. 1370 | An Act to Enact the Maine Tribal Gaming Act | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Allow a Casino to be Run by the Passamaquoddy Tribe and Penobscot Nation if Part of the Revenue is Used for State Education and Municipal Revenue Sharing?" | Nov. 4, 2003 | 170,500 | 346,583 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2003 | L.D. 1371, B. 1 | I. An Act to Allow Slot Machines at Commercial Horse Racing Tracks | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Allow Slot Machines at Certain Commercial Horse Racing Tracks if Part of the Proceeds are Used to Lower Prescription Drug Costs for the Elderly and Disabled, and for Scholarships to the State Universities and Technocal Colleges?" | Nov. 4, 2003 | 273,394 | 242,490 | I.B. 2003, c. 1 | Enacted: 7 MRSA § 76 and 8 MRSA §§ 296, 297, 901 to 904, 911 to 917, 921 to 923, 931 to 937, 22 MRSA § 1511 (9) and 25 MRSA §902(4) Amended: 8 MRSA § 263-C (4) and § 271 (1) |

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| 2003 | L.D. 1372, I.B. 2 | An Act to Enact the School Finance and Tax Reform Act of 2003 | "Indefinitely Postponed", sent out to Referendum as Question 1A along with Competing Measure Resolution, C.M.R. 2003, c. 1, (L.D. 1629) Question 1B. | "Do You Want the State to Pay 55% of the Cost of Public Education, which Includes All Special Education Costs, for the Purpose of Shifting Costs from the Property Tax to State Resources?" | Nov. 4, 2003 and June 8, 2004 | "1A" 185,392 "1B" 171,782 | "1C" Against Both Measures: 133,349 | Became I.B. 2003, c. 2 after voter approval at the June 8, 2004 election. | The Initiated measure received the greater number of votes and was carried over to a Special Election on June 8, 2004 for another vote. This measure was approved at this election. Enacted: 20-A MRSA §§ 15681 to 15685 and 30-A MRSA § 5681(5-B) Amended: 30-A MRSA § 5681 (3) |
| 2003 | L.D. 1629 | Resolution, Proposing a Competing Measure under the Constitution of Maine to Create Municipal Service Districts to Reduce the Cost of Local Government, to Provide Property Tax Relief and to Increase Economic Competitiveness | Enacted as a Competing Measure Resolution, C.M.R. 2003, c. 1, (L.D. 1629) Question 1B to compete with L.D. 1372, I.B. 3, Question 1A. | "Do You Want to Lower Property Taxes and Avoid the Need for a Significant Increase in State Taxes by Phasing in a 55% State Contribution to the Cost of Public Education and by Providing Expanded Property Tax Relief?" | Nov. 4, 2003 | 1A 185,392 "1B" 171,782 | 1A 185,392 "1B" 171,782 | C.M.R. 2003, c. 1 | The Competing Measure failed to receive enough votes to defeat the Initiative (L.D. 1372) and was not approved. |

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| 2004 | L.D. 1372, I.B. 3 Carry-over Measure | An Act to Enact the School Finance and Tax Reform Act of 2003 | Carried over from the Nov. 4, 2003 election. Previously: Indefinitely-Postponed", sent out to Referendum as Question 1A along with C.M.R. 2003, c. 1, (L.D. 1629), Question 1B. | "Do You Want the State to Pay 55% of the Cost of Public Education, which Includes All Special Education Costs, for the Purpose of Shifting Costs from the Property Tax to State Resources?" | June 8, 2004. Carried over from the Nov. 4, 2003 election. | 99,764 | 81,347 | I.B. 2003, c. 2 | The Initiated measure received the greater number of votes and was carried over to a Special Election on June 8, 2004 for another vote. This measure was approved at this election. Enacted: 20-A MRSA §§ 15681 to 15685 and 30-A MRSA § 5681(5)(B) Amended: 30-A MRSA § 5681 (3) |
| 2004 | L.D. 1893, I.B. 4 | An Act to Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Limit Property Taxes to 1% of the Assessed Value of the Property?" | Nov. 2, 2004 | 271,636 | 458,369 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2004 | L.D. 1938, I.B. 5 | An Act Prohibiting Certain Bear Hunting Practices | "Ought Not to Pass", sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Make it a Crime to Hunt Bears with Bait, Traps or Dogs, except to Protect Property, Public Safety or for Research?" | Nov. 2, 2004 | 344,322 | 389,455 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2006 | L.D. 2075, I.B. 1 | An Act to Create a Taxpayer Bill of Rights | "Ought Not to Pass" sent out to Referendum | "Do You Want to Limit Increases in State and Local Government Spending to the Rate of Inflation Plus Population Growth and to Require Voter Approval for All Tax and Fee Increases?" | Nov. 7, 2006 | 247,175 | 288,971 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 2007 | L.D. 805, I.B. 1 | An Act to Authorize a Tribal Commercial Track and Slot Machines in Washington County | Enacted with amendment S-37 by the Legislature. Vetoed by the Governor. Veto Sustained. Sent out to Referendum | "Do you want to allow a Maine tribe to run a harness racing track with slot machines and high-stakes beano games in Washington County?" | Nov. 6, 2007 | 130,164 | 142,458 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2007 | L.D. 1856, I.B. 2 | An Act to Allow a Tax Credit for College Loan Repayments | Enacted with amendment H-414 and never went to Referendum. | None | None | None | None | P.L. 2007, c. 469 | Enacted: 20-A MRSA §§ 12541 to 12543 and 36 MRSA § 5271-D |
| 2008 | L.D. 2261, I.B. 3 | An Act to Allow a Casino in Oxford County | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum Not Approved | "Do you want to allow a certain Maine company to have the only casino in Maine, to be located in Oxford County, if part of the revenue is used to fund specific state programs?" | Nov. 4, 2008 | 333,685 | 389,251 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2009 | L.D. 974, I.B. 1 | An Act to decrease the Automobile Excise Tax and Promote Energy Efficiency | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum | "Do You want to Cut the Rate of the Municipal Excise Tax by an Average of 55% on Motor Vehicles Less than Six Years Old and Exempt Hybrid and Other Alternative-energy and Highly Fuel-efficient Motor Vehicles from sales Tax and Three Years of Excise Tax?" | Nov. 3, 2009 | 145,610 | 416,714 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2009 | L.D. 975, I.B. 2 | An Act to Establish the Maine medical Marijuana Act | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do You want to Change the Medical Marijuana Laws to Allow Treatment of More Medical Conditions and to Create a Regulated System of Distribution?" | Nov. 3, 2009 | 332,038 | 232,024 | I.B. 2009, c. 1 | |

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| 2009 | L.D. 976, I.B. 3 | An Act to Promote Tax Relief | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do You want to Change the Existing Formulas that Limit State and Local Government Spending and Require Voter Approval by Referendum for Spending over those Limits and for Increases in State Taxes?" | Nov. 3, 2009 | 223,059 | 336,144 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2009 | L.D. 977, I.B. 4 | An Act to Repeal the School Consolidation Laws | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do You want to Repeal the 2007 Law on School District Consolidation and Restore the Laws Previously in Effect?" | Nov. 3, 2009 | 228,952 | 416,617 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2010 | L.D. 1808, I.B. 5 | An Act to Allow a Casino in Oxford County | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | "Do you want to allow a casino with table games and slot machines at a single site in Oxford County, subject to local approval, with part of the profits going to specific state, local and tribal programs?" | Nov. 2, 2010 | 284,934 | 280,211 | I.B. 2009, c. 2 | |
| 2011 | L.D. 985, I.B. 1 | An Act Regarding a Slot Machine Facility | Died between Houses. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do you want to allow a casino with table games and slot machines in Lewiston, with part of the profits going to support specific state and local programs?" | Nov. 8, 2011 | 143,127 | 248,467 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 2011 | L.D. 1203, I.B. 2 | An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Deadline and Conditions for Municipal Approval of a Second Racino and To Allow a Tribal Racino in Washington County | Enactment failed. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do you want to allow a slot machine facility at a harness racing track in Biddeford or another community within 25 miles of Scarborough Downs, subject to local approval, and at a harness racing track in Washington County, with part of the profits from these facilities going to support specific state and local programs?" | Nov. 8, 2011 | 176,718 | 215,115 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2012 | L.D. 1860, I.B. 3 | An Act To Allow Marriage Licenses For Same-Sex Couples and Protect Religious Freedom | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do you want to allow the State of Maine to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples?" | Nov. 6, 2012 | 372,887 | 334,723 | I.B. 2011, c. 1 | Enacted: 19-A M.R.S.A, §§ 650-A, 650-B, 655(3). Amended: 19-A M.R.S.A. §§ 651(2), 701. |
| 2014 | L.D. 1845, I.B. 1 | An Act to Prohibit the Use of Dogs, Bait or Traps When Hunting Bears Except Under Certain Circumstances | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum. | "Do you want to ban the use of bait, dogs or traps in bear hunting except to protect property, public safety, or for research?" | Nov. 4, 2014 | 281,717 | 323,007 | Failed approval at the polls | |

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| 2015 | L.D. 806, I.B. 1 | An Act to Strengthen the Maine Clean Election Act, Improve Disclosure and Make Other Changes to the Campaign Finance Laws | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | "Do you want to change Maine law to allow publicly financed state candidates to qualify for additional funds under certain limits and rules in the Maine Clean Election Act, to improve the disclosure of who pays for political ads, and to increase penalties for violations of campaign finance law?" | Nov. 3, 2015 | 119,992 | 98,343 | I.B. 2015, c. 1 | Enacted: 1 M.R.S.A. c. 25, sub-c. 3; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1004-C; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1014, sub-§2-B; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§3-A; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§7-B; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§§8-B to 8-F; 36 MRSA §199-E. Amended: 21-A M.R.S.A. §1014, sub-§4; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1019-B, sub-§1, ¶B; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1019-B, sub-§4; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1020-A, sub-§4-A, ¶¶A to C; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1020-A, sub-§5-A; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1062-A, sub-§§3, 4, 8-A; 21-A MRSA §1062-B; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§2-A, ¶C; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§3, ¶A; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§§6-A, 7, 10, 13-A. Repealed: 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§2-B; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§5, ¶C-1; 21-A M.R.S.A. §1125, sub-§8-A |
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| 2016 | L.D. 1701, I.B. 6 | An Act to Legalize Marijuana | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | Question 1: "Do you want to allow the possession and use of marijuana under state law by persons who are at least 21 years of age, and allow the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing, and sale of marijuana and marijuana products subject to state regulation, taxation and local ordinance?" | Nov. 8, 2016 | 381,647 | 377,574 | I.B. 2015, c. 5. <i>Implementation delayed pursuant to PL 2017, c. 1.</i> | Enacts: 7 MRSA c. 417; 36 MRSA §1817. Repeals: 22 MRSA §2383, sub-§1. |
| 2016 | L.D. 1660, I.B. 3 | An Act To Establish The Fund to Advance Public Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | Question 2: "Do you want to add a 3% tax on individual Maine taxable income above \$200,000 to create a state fund that would provide direct support for student learning in kindergarten through 12th grade public education?" | Nov. 8, 2016 | 383,428 | 373,848 | I.B. 2015, c. 4 | Enacts: 20-A MRSA §15697; 36 MRSA §5111, sub-§6. |

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| 2016 | L.D. 1662, I.B. 5 | An Act to Require Background Checks for Gun Sales | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum. | Question 3: "Do you want to require background checks prior to the sale or transfer of firearms between individuals not licensed as firearms dealers, with failure to do so punishable by law, and with some exceptions for family members, hunting, self-defense, lawful competitions, and shooting range activity?" | Nov. 8, 2016 | 366,770 | 394,157 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2016 | L.D. 1661, I.B. 4 | An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage | Died on adjournment. Sent out to referendum. | Question 4: "Do you want to raise the minimum hourly wage of \$7.50 to \$9 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases up to \$12 in 2020, and annual cost-of-living increases thereafter; and do you want to raise the direct wage for service workers who receive tips from half the minimum wage to \$5 in 2017, with annual \$1 increases until it reaches the adjusted minimum wage?" | Nov. 8, 2016 | 420,892 | 337,486 | I.B. 2015, c. 2 | Amends: 26 MRSA §664, sub-§§1, 2 |

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| 2016 | L.D. 1557, I.B. 2 | An Act To Establish Ranked-Choice Voting” | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | Question 5: "Do you want to allow voters to rank their choices of candidates in elections for U.S. Senate, Congress, Governor, State Senate, and State Representative, and to have ballots counted at the state level in multiple rounds in which last-place candidates are eliminated until a candidate wins by majority?" | Nov. 8, 2016 | 388,273 | 356,621 | I.B. 2015, c. 3. <i>In response to Senate Order 16, the Maine Supreme Judicial Court will determine whether or not a "solemn occasion" exists and if so, rule on the constitutionality of adopting ranked choice.</i> | Enacts: 21-A MRSA §1, sub-§§27-C, 35-A; 21-A MRSA §601, sub-§2, ¶J; §723-A. Amends: 21-A MRSA §722, sub-§1. |
| 2017 | L.D. 719, I.B. 1 | An Act to Allow Slot Machines or a Casino in York County | Indef. postponed. Sent out to Referendum | Question 1: "Do you want to allow a certain company to operate table games and/or slot machines in York County, subject to state and local approval, with part of the profits going to the specific programs described in the initiative?" | Nov. 7, 2017 | 57,538 | 286,847 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2017 | L.D. 1039, I.B. 2 | An Act to Enhance Affordable Access to Health Care | Died between houses. Sent out to Referendum | Question 2: "Do you want Maine to expand Medicaid to provide healthcare coverage for qualified adults under age 65 with incomes at or below 138% of the federal poverty level, which in 2017 means \$16,643 for a single person and \$22,412 for a family of two?" | Nov. 7, 2017 | 203,080 | 141,436 | I.B. 2017, c. 1 | Amends 22 MRSA §3174-G, sub-§1, sub-§4 |

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| 2018 | L.D. 1864, I.B. 3 | An Act To Establish Universal Home Care for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities | Died between houses. Sent out to Referendum | Question 1: "Do you want to create the Universal Home Care Program to provide home-based assistance to people with disabilities and senior citizens, regardless of income, funded by a new 3.8% tax on individuals and families with Maine wage and adjusted gross income above the amount subject to Social Security taxes, which is \$128,400 in 2018??" | Nov. 6, 2018 | 235,679 | 398,819 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2021 | L.D. 1295, I.B. 1 | An Act To Require Legislative Approval of Certain Transmission Lines, Require Legislative Approval of Certain Transmission Lines and Facilities and Other Projects on Public Reserved Lands and Prohibit the Construction of Certain Transmission Lines in the Upper Kennebec Region | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | Question 1: "Do you want to ban the construction of high-impact electric transmission lines in the Upper Kennebec Region and to require the Legislature to approve all other such projects anywhere in Maine, both retroactively to 2020, and to require the Legislature, retroactively to 2014, to approve by a two-thirds vote such projects using public land?" | Nov. 2, 2021 | 243,943 | 168,143 | I.B. 2021, c. 1 | Enacts: 35-A MRSA §3132, sub-§6-C, 35-A MRSA §3132, sub-§6-D, 35-A MRSA §3132, sub-§6-E Amends: 12 MRSA §1852, sub-§4, 35-A MRSA §3131, sub-§4-A, 35-A MRSA §3132, sub-§6-A |

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| 2023 | L.D. 1610, I.B. 1 | An Act to Prohibit Campaign Spending by Foreign Governments and Promote an Anticorruption Amendment to the United States Constitution | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | Question 2: "Do you want to ban foreign governments and entities that they own, control, or influence from making campaign contributions or financing communications for or against candidates or ballot questions?" | Nov. 7, 2023 | 348,781 | 55,226 | I.B. 2023, c. 2 | Enacts: 21-A MRSA §1064 |
| 2023 | L.D. 1611, I.B. 2 | An Act to Create the Pine Tree Power Company, a Nonprofit, Customer-owned Utility | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | Question 3: "Do you want to create a new power company governed by an elected board to acquire and operate existing for-profit electricity transmission and distribution facilities in Maine?" | Nov. 7, 2023 | 122,961 | 283,401 | Failed approval at the polls | |
| 2023 | L.D. 1677, I.B. 3 | An Act Regarding Automotive Right to Repair | Sent out to Referendum. | Question 4: "Do you want to require vehicle manufacturers to standardize on-board diagnostic systems and provide remote access to those systems and mechanical data to owners and independent repair facilities?" | Nov. 7, 2023 | 341,574 | 63,208 | I.B. 2023, c. 3 | Enacts: 29-A MRSA §1801, sub-§2-A, 29-A MRSA §1801, sub-§6, 29-A MRSA §1810, 29-A MRSA §1811 |
| 2023 | L.D. 1772, I.B. 4 | An Act to Require Voter Approval of Certain Borrowing by Government-controlled Entities and Utilities and to Provide Voters More Information Regarding That Borrowing | ONTP. Sent out to Referendum. | Question 1: "Do you want to bar some quasi-governmental entities and all consumer-owned electric utilities from taking on more than \$1 billion in debt unless they get statewide voter approval?" | Nov. 7, 2023 | 260,670 | 137,478 | I.B. 2023, c. 1 | Enacts: 5 MRSA §158, |