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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 652, L.D. 878, Bill, “An Act To Make Clean Election Filing Deadlines Consistent for All Candidates”

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1122, sub-§8, ¶B, as amended by PL 2009, c. 286, §5, is further amended to read:

B. For State Senate or State House of Representatives participating candidates, the qualifying period begins January 1st of the election year and ends at 5:00 p.m. on April 20th of that election year or the next business day following April 20th if the office of the commission is closed on April 20th unless the candidate is unenrolled, in which case the period ends at 5:00 p.m. on June 1st of the election year or the next business day following June 1st if the office of the commission is closed on June 1st.

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 10 in the 9th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~April~~ June" and inserting the following: 'April'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes the change in the bill of the date on which a gubernatorial candidate who is not enrolled in a party must file to participate in the Maine Clean Election Act.

The amendment retains the portion of the bill that changes from April 1st to June 1st the date on which a state legislative candidate who is not enrolled in a party must file to participate in the Maine Clean Election Act.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT