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LD 175

I support LD 175 “RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Ensure That Only Citizens of the United States May Participate in Elections”, and it “ought to pass.”

As I understand it, this resolution proposes to amend the Constitution of Maine to specify that only citizens of the United States who are 18 years of age or older and who are residents of this State are eligible to vote for Governor, Senators and Representatives and in any election in the city, town or plantation where those citizens reside, except for persons under guardianship for reasons of mental illness. This is common sense legislation. The Maine Wire has uncovered proof that non-citizens have voted, or had votes cast for them in previous elections. Election/voter integrity has been suspect in past elections on a national and state level. Why would any government/municipality be afraid to ensure only legal voters cast a ballot?

This bill, once enacted into law, would help to restore Maine citizen’s faith in the fact that those on our voter rolls are legally allowed to be there.

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