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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 25, L.D. 24, Bill, “An Act To Change the Name of Township 17, Range 4, WELS, in the Unorganized Territory to Sinclair”

Amend the bill by inserting after the mandate preamble and before the enacting clause the following:

**'Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** this legislation proposes a referendum to ratify changing the name of the unorganized territory referred to currently as Township 17, Range 4, WELS, and located in Aroostook County to Sinclair, and requires the referendum to be held no later than 6 months after adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 128th Legislature; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 3. Emergency clause; effective date.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved only for the purpose of submitting it to the legal voters residing in the unorganized territory of Township 17, Range 4, WELS, in Aroostook County no later than 6 months after adjournment of the First Regular Session of the 128th Legislature. The name change in section 1 of this Act takes effect immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election held pursuant to section 2.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**