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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 17, L.D. 53, Bill, “An Act To Clarify Local Referendum Ballots”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §2501, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

**4. Ballot questions.** Notwithstanding the provision of Title 21-A, section 906, subsection 7 requiring sequential numbering of ballot questions, municipal officers may elect to list municipal initiative and referendum questions on the ballot using sequential capital letters of the alphabet instead of sequential numbers. All other provisions of Title 21-A, section 906, subsection 7 apply.'

Amend the bill in section 2 in paragraph C by striking out all of the 2nd sentence (page 1, lines 11 to 13 in L.D.) and inserting the following: 'Notwithstanding the provision of Title 21-A, section 906, subsection 7 requiring sequential numbering of ballot questions, the questions may be listed on the ballot using sequential capital letters of the alphabet instead of sequential numbers in accordance with section 2501, subsection 4. All other provisions of Title 21-A, section 906, subsection 7 apply.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment allows municipal officers to use sequential capital letters for municipal initiative and referendum questions, rather than requiring the use of sequential capital letters as in the bill. This amendment also clarifies that only the portion of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 21-A, section 906, subsection 7 regarding the required use of sequential numbers is not applicable to the provisions of this legislation.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**