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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 302, L.D. 858, Bill, “An Act To Better Inform the Public of Election Results”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §700 is enacted to read:

§700. Posting unofficial results

As soon as practicable after the election return is prepared under section 711, if a secure place is available at the voting place or municipal office where the public may view a paper copy of the unofficial election results even when the voting place or municipal office is closed, an election official shall post a paper copy of the unofficial results of the election.'

SUMMARY

This amendment requires an election official to post a paper copy of the unofficial results of an election as soon as practicable after the ballots are counted at the voting place or municipal office if there is a secure place at the voting place or municipal office where the public may view the results even when the voting place or municipal office is closed. The amendment establishes this requirement in a separate section rather than in the section of law that requires the declaration by the warden of the results after the ballots are counted, as in the bill.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT