

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN**

H.P. 736 - L.D. 1000

**Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Examine Centralization of the
Petition Signature Verification Process**

Sec. 1. Secretary of State to examine centralizing the process for verifying petition signatures. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall examine the potential for centralizing the process for verifying signatures on candidate petitions, citizens' initiatives and people's veto referendum petitions within the office of the Secretary of State using the central voter registration system. The Secretary of State shall consult with municipal clerks and others to determine the benefits of centralization and to identify any legal or logistical barriers to proceeding with centralization of the process. The Secretary of State shall submit a report on the findings of the examination under this section no later than February 1, 2012 to the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs.

In House of Representatives, 2011

Read and passed finally.

..... Speaker

In Senate, 2011

Read and passed finally.

..... President

Approved 2011

..... Governor